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MARGINAL COLUMN

By ARTHUR SAUL SUPER

WITH the Americans about to launch their satellite tomorrow, the race for the conquest of space between the Eastern and Western blocs now becomes a reality. One of the best qualified and most eminent of the science fiction authors, Arthur C. Clarke, dealt with this situation in a novel some five years ago. He had previously laid down the principles of space flight in two authoritative scientific works: "Interplanetary Flight" (1950) and "The Exploration of Space." A popular treatment of the same theme was issued a little later. The writer was chairman of the British Interplanetary Society, a Fellow of the Royal Astronomical Society and assistant editor of "Physics Abstracts." But for the lay reader his novel "Prelude to Space," re-issued as a Pocket Book shortly before the successful launching of Sputnik I, is perhaps the easiest road to an understanding of the implications of the satellites. He sets his story just about 20 years hence, and the characters he described might well be the younger men who are engaged at the moment in the work of planning the flight to the Moon. He makes it clear that the first stage of this lunar flight must be the satellites. The technique of launching these will lead to the development of a kind of double-space ship. The lower part of this will be navigable in space at roughly the same altitude as the present sputniks are orbiting. The function of this carrier plane will be to take up fuel tanks which will be set spinning in a pre-arranged orbit. These will later be used to fuel the rocket plane which will be carried up to the same orbit by the carrier space ship and will then take off for the Moon which it should reach within four days. There, a base will be constructed and thence for good scientific reasons, which the reader must follow for himself, travel to the nearest planets will be even easier than travel to the Moon. Naturally the flight will not take place until atomic energy is adapted as a source of power for the purposes of the lunar base and the expedition in general; but no one today can have any serious doubts that this will come within a decade or so, if not sooner.

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THE fact is that we already have satellites, one of which carried a living creature into outer space; the technique of bringing a satellite safely back to earth has nearly been worked out; effective space suits were already produced by the U.S. technicians some few years ago. Humanity is really poised at last to escape from the earth to which it has been confined for the millions of years since man evolved.

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WHAT is most interesting about the speculation of a man who combines a brilliant scientific mind with a more-than-average gift as a writer is the philosophizing which accompanies his disturbingly realistic account of man's first journey to the Moon in our own age. He feels that an attempt will be made by rival great powers to acquire control over the Moon, for the side which possesses it will enjoy an overwhelming advantage over the other and have the world at its mercy. He feels, however, that the present sharpening of the rivalries between the great blocs is the last phase of a civilization whose aims are narrow because man is so earthbound, and feels that the infinite horizons opening out by the conquest of space will take men's minds away from war to flower anew under the mighty challenges being offered to them. He puts some of his thoughts into the mind of the director of the project which plans the first trip to the Moon in a manifesto he issues just before the take-off:

"This generation stands upon the brink of the ocean of space, preparing for the greatest adventure in all history. There are some whose minds are so rooted in the past that they believe the political thinking of our ancestors can still be applied when we reach other worlds. They even talk of annexing the Moon in the name of this or that nation, forgetting that the crossing of space has required the united efforts of scientists from every country in the world. There are no nationalities beyond the stratosphere; any other worlds we may reach will be the common heritage of all men. We who have striven to place humanity upon the road to the stars, make this solemn declaration, now and for the future: 'We will take no frontiers into space'."

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IN his play "Man and Superman," the late George Bernard Shaw put the following words into the mouth of Lilith, the mysterious predecessor of Adam and Eve: "Of life only there is no end: and though of its million starry mansions many are empty and many still unbuilt, and though its vast domain is as yet unbearably desert, my seed shall one day fill it and master it to its uttermost confines." The book of Deuteronomy said that a clear choice of good or evil or of life and death was placed before man. The prospects that follow on the wise choice are as great as the alternative is horrible.

Tel Aviv, December 2.

Indonesia Bars Entry Of Dutch Citizens

ROTTERDAM, Monday.—The government of Indonesia has barred the entry of Dutch citizens into the country, it was announced here today.

The announcement, made by the Royal Rotterdam Lloyd Shipping Company shortly before the Company's liner Willem Ruys was due to leave for Indonesia, decided 63 passengers to cancel their passage. Nearly 200 non-Dutch passengers, all bound for Indonesia, sailed with the ship.

Meanwhile, it was reported that all 30 passengers—mostly of Dutch nationality—were ordered off a K.L.M. Royal Dutch Airlines plane today by Indonesian authorities before the aircraft left Jakarta for Singapore.

The pilot, Captain P. J. Krouwel, said on his arrival at Singapore that an Indonesian army colonel ordered the people off as the plane was prepared to take off and only the crew were allowed to leave.

He said the Indonesian decision to prevent the passengers leaving followed four hours of "squabbling" by civil and military authorities — one granting take-off permission and the other revoking it. The military had the final word, ordering that only the crew be allowed to leave.

The Indonesian overnment has also banned circulation of all Dutch-language publications and films, and Indonesian employees of Dutch firms are staging a 24-hour strike following the U.N. General Assembly's refusal to recommend negotiations between Holland and Indonesia on the latter's claim to Dutch New Guinea.

Authoritative sources at The Hague said today that the Dutch government is considering "precautionary measures" in connection with a possible threat to the safety of the 60,000 Dutch men, women and children in Indonesia.

The Dutch Foreign Minister, Mr. Joseph Luns, today cabled President Sukarno of Indonesia saying he was "relieved" that the latter had escaped unharmed from the bomb attempt upon his life last Saturday.

The Jakarta area military commander said today that "key" suspects have been arrested in the weekend assassination attempt which killed nine persons and wounded 155 others.

Lt. Col. E. Dachkar said that the suspects' identity, number and affiliations could not be disclosed at present, but he expected the case to be wrapped up "very soon" because of the arrests and the confiscation of "material" evidence, including hand grenades.

(Reuter, UP)

Hungarian Chief Lauds Yugoslav Example

VIENNA, Monday (Reuter). — The Hungarian Prime Minister, Mr. Janos Kadar, has told a trade union meeting in Budapest "the Yugoslav example and our own experience have shown us the right path" concerning the talks of trade unions and factory councils.

Mr. Kadar, as quoted by the Hungarian news agency MTI today, said "The Yugoslavs stated they followed the circumstances in their own country. We have done the same and so the factory councils came into existence."

He said the political role of the trade unions in Hungary "has not been exceptionally great in the past but today this has changed."

YUGOSLAV ELECTIONS SLATED FOR MARCH

BELGRADE, Monday (Reuter). — Yugoslavia will hold general elections next March, following the dissolution of Parliament on December 23, the President of Parliament, Petar Stanbolic, announced today.

School As Usual At Little Rock

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas, Monday (UP). — Nine Negro students went to classes at the Central High School here today for the first time without the protection of paratroopers.

There was no trouble.

The last 225 members of the paratroop unit which had been patrolling the town left Little Rock on Wednesday when the school closed for the Thanksgiving holiday. They left the job of keeping the peace to 900 federalized Arkansas National Guardsmen.

The Negro students arrived at the school in private automobiles and entered the building virtually unnoticed.

Half a dozen Federal Bureau of Investigation agents cruised in the area in automobiles, and four or five city patrol cars were in the vicinity, but there was no disorder.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Egypt's answer to claims for compensation by Suez Canal Company shareholders in connection with nationalization of the waterway were given in Cairo last night to Aly Shoeb, Pakistani Director of the World Bank, who leaves the Egyptian capital for Washington today.

Town Evacuated In Path of Bushfire

SYDNEY, Monday (Reuter). — Men, women and children fled today before a huge bush fire which swept through the Blue Mountains town of Leura, about 60 miles from Sydney, destroying at least 50 houses, a church, shops and other buildings.

Police later evacuated the entire population as the blaze raced towards the district hospital where more than 50 people were receiving treatment for burns and shocks.

The fire reached the town's main street within minutes of breaking out of the Jamieson valley and teachers led out children from the local school shortly before the building burned out.

One unconfirmed report said an elderly firefighter had died while battling against the blaze.

Hurricane-force winds tonight blanketed Sydney in smoke from the raging bushfires.

Yesterday it was reported that a bush fire in the Blue Mountain area surrounded a hiking party of nine boys, killing four of them.

The leader of the group, Barry Carter, 17, said the other youths ignored his call to run downwards towards a creek when the fire burst on them. He rolled himself into a ball, reached the creek and stayed there for six hours before struggling out of the valley.

Warns of Latent Violence in Ghana

ACCRA, Monday (Reuter).— The Ghana Minister of the Interior Mr. Krobo Edusei, said today that the Government believed there were people who, if the opportunity occurred, would resort to force and violence.

Moving the second reading of the Emergency Powers Bill in Parliament, he said the Government would deal sternly with such people and it was for that reason that the bill had been introduced. Even in Accra there had been public disorder organized by the opponents of the Government, he said.

The bill would provide the Government with necessary powers to deal with a state of emergency as it arose.

Dr. N.A. Busia, leader of the opposition, said the Government was seeking "absolute powers to meet a non-existent situation" and to ride roughshod over the fundamental human rights essential to a democracy.

Nehru Denies Iraq Banned Indian Jets

NEW DELHI, Monday (Reuter). — Prime Minister Nehru said in Parliament today that Iraq had not discriminated against India in not allowing Indian Air Force jet fighters to land at the airport of Habbaniya on their flight from Britain to India.

In a brief statement to the House of the People, Mr. Nehru said Habbaniya airport was not open to any foreign aircraft and the Iraqi Government had offered the use of Baghdad airport to the Indian aircraft.

The Government wanted to clear up any misunderstanding that might have arisen, he added.

Burma Vice-Premier In Kremlin Talks

LONDON, Monday (UP). — Soviet leaders, headed by Mr. Nikita Khrushchev, conferred with visiting Burmese Vice-Premier U Kyaw Nyein in the Kremlin today.

A Moscow Radio broadcast heard in London said that "problems of cooperation between the two countries" were discussed. Also present on the Soviet side, it said, were Premier Nikolai Bulganin and First Deputy Premier Anastas Mikoyan.

Faisal Leaves For Saudia State Visit

BAGHDAD, Monday (Reuter). — King Faisal of Iraq and Crown Prince Abdul Illah, his uncle, left Baghdad by air today for Riadh, Saudi Arabia, on their state visit to that country.

They have been invited by King Saud and will stay for six days.

Brosh Named to Head Civil Service Security

Aluf-Mishne Nehemia Brosh, former Army spokesman, has been appointed to head security services in the Civil Service Commission, it was announced yesterday by the secretary of the Commission.

The newly-created post centralizes security aspects of all Government departments in his hands, it is learned.

Precautions In Cyprus as Foot Arrives Today

NICOSIA, Monday (Reuter). — Extra security measures, including road blocks at the entries to the main towns, were imposed in Cyprus today—in readiness for tomorrow's arrival of the new Governor, Sir Hugh Foot.

The successor to Sir John Harding is stopping overnight in Malta.

Special precautions have been taken at Nicosia airport, where all Cypriot-driven taxis have been banned from the R.A.F. perimeter. This follows the suspected sabotage at Akrotiri air base last week where fire destroyed four Canberras and a Venom to a total cost of £1m.

Within the towns, patrols have been intensified and servicemen off duty have been ordered to carry arms and go about in fours for fear of a flare-up of EOKA terrorism.

Identity checks and searches are being carried out at the road blocks around the towns.

The Cypriot-owned "Cyprus Mail," published in the English language, said today it would be a good thing if Greeks, Turks and British alike would allow Sir Hugh Foot "a few weeks of tranquillity" to enable him to decide on steps necessary to achieve a solution of the Cyprus problem.

The Greek Cypriot weekly "Alither" today published a warning from Archbishop Makarios saying, "The battle for which we are prepared" would depend on whether the U.N. fulfilled its responsibilities on the Cyprus issue.

The Turkish viewpoint appeared as splash lead in "Halkini Sesi," the newspaper of the community's leader, Dr. Kutchuk. On the Greek demands for repeal of the emergency laws, return of Makarios and granting self-determination, it said, "The latter would provide the Greeks with a charter to eliminate the 120,000 Turks in the island. The Turks have sworn not to see such a tragedy befall them."

"Halkini Sesi" said the only reasonable course for the new Governor was "to rid the island of the EOKA scourge" and then, as relations between the Greeks and Turks ruled out any possibility of the two communities cooperating in any future administration, he should make recommendations for partition.

Graham to Seek Kashmir Solution

NEW YORK, Monday (Reuter). — The Security Council tonight approved a resolution authorizing Dr. Frank Graham, U.N. representative for India and Pakistan, to visit the sub-continent in search of a solution to the Kashmir problem.

The five-power resolution was approved by 10 votes to none, with Russia abstaining.

U.S. Lays Keel Of 'Atomic' Cruiser

QUINCY, Massachusetts, Monday (Reuter). — The keel of the first nuclear powered U.S. cruiser was laid here today.

The vessel The Long Beach, to be armed with the most modern surface-to-surface and surface-to-air missiles, will have standard displacement of 11,000 tons.

Meanwhile, what was claimed to be the "world's first full-scale central station atomic power plant devoted exclusively to civilian purposes" went into operation today at Shippingport, Pennsylvania, the Atomic Energy Commission announced in Washington.

After several weeks of tests, the plant is expected to begin sending 60,000 kilowatts of electricity into the Dunqusne Light Company's power lines.

Atomic Aircraft

In Moscow, Soviet military scientists yesterday published diagrams of atomic aircraft designed to win supremacy for Russia in the atomic air age.

A 165-page booklet entitled "Application of atomic motors in aviation," published by the Defence Ministry, gave diagrams of two atomic aircraft.

● A "convertible" which "would be able to take an expedition from Moscow to the Antarctic in a day." This giant atomic plane has two propeller units on its swept-back wings and a third is attached to the tail unit. The propellers can be moved from the horizontal to the vertical position to ease landing in limited space.

● An atomic carrier plane which lifts a 20-ton two-stage rocket to a height of about 20 kms. At this altitude the rocket is released from beneath one of the wings, proceeds under its own propulsion to a height of 175 kms., attaining a final speed of 7.8 kms. a second, and then launches a sputnik into its orbit.

Ministers Squabble in Knesset Over Steinberg Burial Affair

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN, Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Minister of Interior, Mr. Israel Bar-Yehuda, announced in the Knesset yesterday that the matter of the burial in Pardess Hanna of Aharon Steinberg, 5, the son of a Christian mother, had been raised at Sunday's Cabinet session, and that the question—in its broadest aspect — would be discussed at the next session.

(The boy was buried outside the fence of the cemetery as he was not recognized as Jewish by the local rabbinate.)

Mr. Bar-Yehuda was interrupted by the Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs, Dr. Zorah Warhaftig, who asked in whose name he was speaking. "Certainly not in the name of the Government," Dr. Warhaftig said. "This is against all rules of procedure."

Dr. Warhaftig a little later also made a statement — "in the name of the Minister for Religious Affairs." He said that the boy had been buried by the local burial society, at its own expense, in a special part of the cemetery.

Under the laws of Israel, the son of a Christian mother is not considered to be a Jew, Dr. Warhaftig pointed out. The burial society had not refused to bury the boy, but had buried him as required by Jewish law — but also in the place required by Jewish law.

He said his Ministry would see to it that the burial societies continue to act in accordance with the law and in accordance with the instructions of the Rabbinate.

The two statements were made in the course of the debate on the Amendment to the Punishment Laws (Bigamy) which later passed its first reading by a vote of 20-8. The bill was supported by Mapai, all the religious parties, and the Progressives. Ahdut Ha'avoda and Mapam voted to return the bill to the Government. Mrs. B. Idelson (Mapai) and Mr. B Arditi (Herut) abstained.

As was the case last Tuesday when the debate began, few speakers addressed themselves to the bill before the House, whose modest purpose it is to tighten up the present bigamy law by closing a few loopholes.

The Steinberg case was brought up by the very first speaker yesterday, Mrs. Idelson. She said she had hoped that at a moment of misfortune it would be possible to rise above "formal things which were written thousands of years ago and have become a dead letter." It was inconceivable that such "rigidity and cruelty" could take place in 1957.

Mr. Ya'acov Katz (Poalei Agudat Yisrael) said that to listen to some of the speakers one would think that it was not the husbands who left their wives who were at fault, but the Jewish law on marriage and divorce. Noting that recent immigrants included 900 non-Jewish wives, Mr. Katz said that "the precept of the purity of the race tells us this represents a danger to the Jewish people."

This touched off a round of heckling, with Mr. Yitzhak Ben-Aharon (Ahdut Ha'avoda) the most vociferous. "The Nazis talked about racial purity," he shouted, and a moment later, "Are you racially pure?"

"We will not change the laws of Israel here in the State of Israel," Mr. Katz declared.

As Mr. Katz sat down, Mr. Ben-Aharon called out: "Will there be a statement by the Government today about the despicable deed at Pardess Hanna?" And when the Minister of Interior (also of Ahdut Ha'avoda) rose later to make his statement, he prefaced it by saying: "It has been asked here whether the Government has an answer to the question of the shocking incident at Pardess Hanna."

Mr. David Bar-Rav-Hay (Mapai) said that the Knesset could not change religious law and decide who might be buried in a Jewish grave and who not. But it could pass a law governing funeral procedure. "There are many laws which have become petrified, and if the men of *Halacha* cannot determine the law in accordance with life, then life will pass the *Halacha* by. You are playing a dangerous game," he warned.

Dr. I.S. Rosenberg (Miz-

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Ike Returns To Duties At White House

WASHINGTON, Monday (Reuter). — President Eisenhower returned to the White House today after three days of rest and recuperation at his Gettysburg farm.

He was expected later today to attend a Cabinet meeting which had been put back from this morning in view of his return.

The President's doctor reported today that his patient's progress "continues to be excellent."

The latest word on the President's health from Major-General Howard Snyder, his personal physician, was given to the press shortly before Mr. Eisenhower left his farm for Washington.

Tomorrow there will be a White House briefing of congressional leaders. Mr. Adlai Stevenson, Democratic leader defeated by Mr. Eisenhower in the last two presidential elections, will also attend.

Mr. Stevenson said tonight he had not been invited to Paris with the U.S. delegation.

"There has been no discussion of the possibility," he added, as he emerged from a conference with Mr. Sam Rayburn, the Democratic Speaker of the House.

Nash to Form Labour Gov't in N. Zealand

AUCKLAND New Zealand, Monday (UP). — Mr. Walter Nash, the Labour Party Premier-designate, was today engaged in consultations for the formation of a new government following his party's narrow victory at the polls during last week's New Zealand general election.

Mr. Nash, in a Press statement, today called for an end to nuclear test explosions but added that his views did not wholly correspond with the Japanese position on the matter.

He told reporters: "We want suppression of nuclear tests but I believe we differ from Japan in that we want it by agreement among the nuclear powers. It is not fair to tell Britain or the U.S. to suspend tests without such an agreement. This appears to be the Japanese approach."

Initial Accord On Dutch-Israel Line

LYDDA AIRPORT, Monday. — "I am leaving for Holland after concluding preliminary agreements with the Israel authorities on the establishment of a joint shipping line to operate out of Eilat," declared Senator Hendrik Willemse prior to his departure for Holland today.

Senator Willemse has concluded a 10-day visit to Israel. He firmly denied newspaper reports stating that negotiations for the establishment of the line had hit snags. He added that he hoped to return to Israel soon to conclude the agreement.

Denmark and China Sign Trade Accord

TOYKO, Monday (UP). — China and Denmark yesterday signed a trade and payment agreement in Peking, the New China News Agency reported today.

During the signing ceremony, the delegations exchanged letters granting each other most favoured treatment status, on customs and navigation questions, the report said.

It added that Denmark was the second Scandinavian country to conclude a trade agreement with Red China. The first to do so was Finland.

Jordan Promises Dag To Cooperate with UNTSO

Seeing B-G, Meir Today

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The U.N. Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, is due to arrive in Jerusalem this morning by way of Mandelbaum Gate for talks with Prime Minister Ben-Gurion and Foreign Minister Meir. Mr. Hammarskjold was last in Israel on May 9 and 10, when he had talks with Mr. Ben-Gurion on a wide range of subjects.

Nothing could be learned in Jerusalem last night of Mr. Hammarskjold's schedule, although it is probable that before meeting with the Government leaders, probably at the Prime Minister's Office, he will spend some time at U.N. Headquarters with Col. Byron Leary Acting Chief of Staff of the Truce Supervision Organization.

Reports in Jerusalem last night that the Secretary-General had arrived at Government House in Jerusalem and was spending the night there were firmly denied by the U.N. spokesman.

Yesterday, Mr. Hammarskjold continued his discussions with the Jordan Foreign Minister, Samir Rifa'i, on border problems, press agencies reported from Amman. Defence Minister Akef el Fa'ez and General Habes Majali, Chief of Staff, attended the talks.

A joint communique which was published in Amman last night said:

"The Jordanian Foreign Minister and the U.N. Secretary-General continued their discussion of the strengthening of the position of the UNTSO. The study aimed at clarifying the constitutional and other aspects of this problem.

"In the light of the exchange of views the Jordan Foreign Minister assured the Secretary-General that it was the wish of his Government, which recognized the scope and nature of the responsibilities of the Secretary-General with respect of the UNTSO, to maintain the fullest cooperation with that Organization.

UNTSO Machinery

"Attention was given by the Secretary-General and the Foreign Minister to arrangements within the machinery of UNTSO by which such cooperation could be ensured.

"The discussion of the specific issues on the agenda has also covered the difficulties which have recently arisen in connection with the convoy to Mount Scopus. The views of the Government of Jordan having been fully clarified, the Secretary-General will now undertake further steps intended to resolve the problem."

Reuter, reporting from Amman earlier, said there had been an official blackout on what progress was made in the talks, which ended yesterday. Lieutenant-Colonel George Flint, chief U.N.T.S.O. representative in matters concerning Mount Scopus, arrived in Amman from Jerusalem yesterday to join the talks.

A U.N. spokesman accompanying Mr. Hammarskjold stressed at a briefing in Amman yesterday that the talks consist of an exchange of views. The Secretary-General had no executive power in this matter other than that delegated to him in the Armistice Agreement. The U.N. is responsible for security in the area, but when it comes to interpreting agreements between two governments the U.N. can only try to help find a common interpretation.

Reuter reported that the talks concerned, besides Mt. Scopus, Jordan's refusal to recognize Col. Leary.

It was also reported that the Egyptian Charge d'Affaires in Amman called on Foreign Minister Rifa'i to give him Egypt's full support for Jordan's stand on Col. Leary and on Mt. Scopus.

The spokesman of the Hammarskjold party Mr. Ivan Smith, was quoted by the Jordanian daily "El Jihad" yesterday as saying that the Scopus convoy issue was merely a technical dispute which could be easily solved by going back to the exact text of the Scopus agreement and interpreting it correctly. He added, according to the paper, that the U.N. Secretary-General was likely to urge Israel to participate in the sessions of the Mixed Armistice Commission.

Mr. Smith was quoted further as saying that there was no need for a U.N.E.F. force to be stationed along the Jordan border since matters have not developed to an extent making such a step necessary.

Egypt Sees Accord With UK Imminent

CAIRO, Monday (Reuter).— An Egyptian official Mohammed Nashat, is due to leave Cairo for Rome tomorrow with Egypt's reply to British proposals presented last week at the Anglo-Egyptian financial talks.

Finance Minister el Kaissuny discussed the proposals by telephone today with the leader of his delegation in Rome, Dr. Hassan Zaki.

Kaissuny told the Cairo weekly newspaper "Rose el Yussef" he expects a draft agreement between Britain and Egypt will be initialled in Rome.

In London, meanwhile, a Foreign Office spokesman today described as "purely speculative" a report in a London morning newspaper that a British Ambassador would shortly be returning to Cairo.

The spokesman told his daily press conference that he considered the report to be based on the "writer's guess" of what might happen if current Anglo-Egyptian financial talks in Rome were successfully concluded.

Malinovsky Said To Visit Cairo in July

CAIRO, Monday (UP). — Soviet Defence Minister Marshal Rodion Malinovsky will visit Cairo next July to attend the annual Independence Day Parade, an Egyptian weekly said today.

The usually well-informed "Rose el Youssef" said Marshal Malinovsky's visit would be in return for that paid to Moscow last month by Egyptian War Minister General Abdel Hakim Amer.

The Egyptian cabinet, at a five hour meeting, decided last night on projects to be executed under the recent Egyptian-Russian loan agreement, according to a government spokesman.

Syria Restricts Travel Abroad

The Syrian Parliament has ratified a draft law banning any Syrian citizen from leaving the country without urgent need and without prior approval of the authorities, Beirut Radio announced yesterday.

The Radio also reported that large quantities of Czech equipment for the construction of a refinery near Latakia have arrived in the northern Syrian port.

Yemeni Prince in Paris, May Ask for Arms

PARIS, Monday (UP). — Mohammed Saif el Islam el Badr, Crown Prince of Yemen, arrived here today to ask France for technicians, doctors, and possibly arms.

He was welcomed at Orly airport by Raymond Marcellin, Secretary of State in Charge of Administration, and Count Jean de la Chauvinière, Chief of Protocol.

After consulting Britain, which is at odds with Yemen over a frontier dispute, France recently turned down the desert kingdom's request for automatic weapons. The Prince was generally expected to broach the arms issue again.

INDIAN U.N.E.F.

UNITED NATIONS, Monday (UP). — India's first contingent in the UNEF was en route home today after one year's service in Egypt, the U.N. announced.

A new Indian contingent of 1,050 officers and men arrived at Port Said on November 25.

Shukeiry Backs Algerian Revolt

NEW YORK, Monday. — The Saudi Arabian delegate, Ahmed Shukeiry, today told the U.N. Political Committee, which resumed its debate on Algeria, that Algeria must "gain her freedom" as Egypt, Libya, Tunisia and Morocco had done.

Describing Algeria's "right" to revolt against France as equal to the right of the American colonists to revolt against Britain, he said: "The history of Algeria is the history of North Africa. Her struggle is one and the same with that of the whole area."

"Algeria is not part of the French homeland. The people of Algeria are not the French people. Algeria is part of the Arab homeland that extends from the Atlantic on the west to the Persian Gulf in the east," he said.

Shukeiry gave this Arab programme for Algeria: unconditional recognition of the independence of Algeria; recognition of a provisional Algerian government to start immediate round-table talks with France to settle outstanding differences; release of political prisoners, and a cease-fire.

He claimed that the negotiations envisaged by France would entail "political preconditions."

Mr. Attilio Piccioni of Italy, who spoke next, said that the Algerian problem affected his country because it touched on the peace and stability of the whole Mediterranean area. He added: "Our basic concern, indeed our ambition, is that the peoples of the Mediterranean should be able to feel and understand the importance of community interests..."

Mr. R. S. S. Gunewardene, of Ceylon, said Tunisia and Syria had "expressed the feeling of the Arab world" and that Syria had given the U.N. "a timely warning that no power vacuum exists in the Middle East. Arab nationalism has come to stay."

Nations friendly to France, such as Morocco and Tunisia, had already been drawn into the dispute, and Asians would identify themselves with Arab feelings, he added.

Earlier in the session the Chairman, Dr. Djalal Abdoh of Iran, said he would close the list of speakers tomorrow night and he was already thinking in terms of night meetings this week so that the Committee could get through the Algerian item leaving time for the Cyprus and "peaceful coexistence" questions due to follow.

(UP, Reuter)

Gaillard Faces First Split over Budget

PARIS, Monday (UP). — Premier Felix Gaillard was threatened today with the resignation of one of his Cabinet Ministers just as the Government begins hectic preparations for the NATO "summit" conference.

Education Minister Rene Billeres, a member of M. Gaillard's Radical Socialist Party, said he would quit his post if the Premier went ahead with his plans to cut the 1958 school budget by 50,000m. francs.

M. Gaillard spent the week-end chopping down the budgets of various Ministries to pave the way for a proposed 200,000m. francs cut in next year's spending.

The 38-year-old Premier is expected to force a showdown with M. Billeres today or tomorrow so the 1958 budget can be approved by the Cabinet on Wednesday.

M. Billeres' resignation — if it comes — would not necessarily plunge M. Gaillard's three-and-a-half-week-old government into a major crisis. But it could produce the first open split in the fragile coalition of conservatives and left-of-centre deputies and by its very timing — with the NATO "summit" conference only two weeks off — could have a bad psychological effect.

16 Moroccan Guerrillas Killed In Raid on Spanish Convoy

MADRID, Monday (Reuter). — Sixteen guerrillas have been killed and 50 wounded in an attack on a Spanish convoy in the Spanish Sahara, official circles said here today.

Two Spanish soldiers were killed and five injured in the attack, the first reported from the Sahara.

The area of the battle lies south of the Spanish enclave of Ifni where Spain is fighting a guerrilla insurrection.

Meanwhile, reports from Ifni itself, quoted in Rabat by the Moroccan newspaper "Al Alam," said that fierce fighting between Spanish troops and Moroccan irregulars went on all day yesterday around Sidi Ifni, main town in the Spanish enclave.

The newspaper said insurgent tribesmen were tightening their ring round the town and were using artillery captured from the Spaniards. Aircraft were parachuting ammunition and food to surrounded Spanish troops who were digging themselves in at Tilioune post, at the north-east corner of the enclave.

Reinforcements from Spain were reported still lying off Sidi Ifni, unable to land because the ships were under rifle fire from the tribesmen.

Spanish artillery, meanwhile, was said to have bombarded Souira village on Moroccan soil.

In Los Angeles, U.S., a spokesman for King Mohammed V of Morocco said the Monarch saw no reason to cancel or cut short his 16-day America tour as a result of the crisis over the Ifni situation.

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Academic Staff

Social & Personal

The President yesterday received Mr. Erwin Sabiesen, correspondent of the New York "Daily Mirror."

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The Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, wishes to express his heartfelt thanks to all those friends, citizens, institutions, political parties and the municipalities for sending their best wishes for his recovery from injuries sustained in the recent bombing in the Knesset. He wants especially to express his thanks to the children who had sent their greetings in letters, poems, drawings and flowers.

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Minister of Finance Levi Eshkol yesterday received Mr. Eric Ward, Resident Representative of the U.N. Technical Assistance Board.

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The Minister of Interior, Mr. Israel Bar-Yehuda, was yesterday the guest of the Jerusalem Economic Corporation, in a tour of Jerusalem industries. Following the tour, Mr. Bar-Yehuda lunched with the directorate of the Corporation.

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The Bolivian Minister, Dr. Walter Guevara Arze, yesterday visited the Knesset and was received by the Speaker, Mr. Yoseph Sprinzak. He was accompanied by Mr. Maurice Fischer, Israel Minister to Turkey, and Mr. Asher Frenkiel, Hon. Bolivian Consul in Israel.

The Bolivian Minister was also received by the Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Pinhas Sapir.

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The Rumanian Minister Dr. P. Manu, toured the Hadassah-University Hospital in Jerusalem yesterday. He was escorted by Dr. J. Karpas, Acting Director of H.M.O.

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The Norwegian trade delegation was entertained yesterday evening by Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Iskin of the Norwegian Trade Company, Nortrac-Israel, Ltd., at the King David Hotel, Jerusalem. Senior officials of the Foreign Ministry and of the Ministries of Commerce and Industry and Finance were present.

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Mr. John Cheney, Director of the Israel Institute of Industrial Design, is to introduce the exhibition on "The Skyscraper" at the Bezalel National Museum, Jerusalem, at 5.30 tomorrow (Wednesday) evening.

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The Jerusalem Branch of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel is to hold its Annual General Meeting at Beit Hahalutzot, Rehov Ibn Gvirol, at 8.30 this evening.

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MEMORIAL MEETING

A memorial meeting for Sir Ernest Oppenheimer will be held at the diamond exchange, Romi Goldmintz Square, Natanya, at 5 p.m. today. The speakers will include Mayor Ben-Ami and Mr. Gerland Rothschild of the Diamond Trading Corporation.

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TOMBSTONE UNVEILING
NATHAN KOVLER

A memorial meeting and the unveiling of the tombstone over the grave of our beloved member Nathan Kovler will take place at Kvutzat Hasolelim, at 3.45 p.m. on Thursday, December 5, 1957.

CONGRESS. — Chinese Communist leader Mao Tse-tung and Prime Minister Chou En-lai yesterday attended the opening of the All-China Trade Union Congress in Peking, the New China News Agency reported. Also present were representatives of 31 trade union organizations from 25 countries and from the International Confederation of Arab Trade Unions.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM

At 3.30, 6.30 & 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: The Unholy Wife.
EDEN: The Fastest Gun Alive.
ORGIL: La Mort d'un Cycliste.
ORION: Fane, Amore . . .
ORNA: Desk Set.
RON: The Kid.
SEMADAR: Picnic. Mat. Jubal.
ZION HALL: Three Violent People.
TEL OR: Cronache di Poveri Amanti.
EDISON: Badal.
STUDIO: Richard III.

TEL AVIV

ALLENBY: The Wayward Bus.
ARMON DAVID: Paris Canaille.
CHEN: Boniface Somnambule.
DAN: Lilacs in the Spring.
EDEN: Pyaasa.
ESTHER: Friendly Persuasion
MAXIM: Les Possedes. Mat. French Cancan.
MIGDALOR: The Game of Youth.
MOGRABI: The Gate of Hell.
OPHIR: The Man Who Knew Too Much.
ORION: Sissi.
SHDEROTH: Man of a Thousand Faces.
TCHELET: Mozart's Life Story.
TAMAR: I Killed My Mother.
TEL AVIV: Boy on a Dolphin.
YARON: Theodora.
ZAMIR: The Right To Be Born.
ZAFON: Rean.

HAIFA

AMPHITHEATRE: An Affair To Remember.
ORAH: Doctor At Large.
GAL OR: Men in War. Mat. Massacre River.
ATZMON: Dunya.
MORIAH: High Society.
PEER: Shree 420 — 3.15, 6.15. Hiroshima, 9.15.
ORION: Prodigal. Mat. Prodigal.
ARMON: L'Homme A L'Imper-meable.
EN DOR: Away All Boats.
ORLY: The Court Jester.
MAY: The Vagabond King.

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Jerusalem Branch

"The Association's New Look"

to be discussed by MURRAY GREENFIELD, National Executive Secretary

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 1958

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, at 8.30 p.m. at Beit Hahalutzot, Rehov Ibn Gevirol.

Personal Interviews: From 2-5 p.m. at Beit Hillel.

LAW REPORT

The Jerusalem Post December 3, 1957

In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Civil Appeal.

Before Justices Agranat, Sussman and Landau.

Michael Reich v. Moshe Hamar. (C.A. 303/57.)

Defendant Prohibited from Leaving the Country Until Action Concluded.

The Supreme Court dismissed an appeal against an order made by the Tel Aviv District Court on September 19, 1957 (in Motion 1485/56 in C.C. 1165/56.)

Mr. Moshe Hamar, who had brought an action against Mr. Michael Reich in the District Court, applied to that Court for an order prohibiting Reich from leaving the country until either the claim was dismissed or the judgment satisfied. The Court granted the application, and Reich appealed to the Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court returned the case to the District Court for consideration of certain additional legal points, and the District Court confirmed its previous decision. Reich again appealed to the Supreme Court.

Before the second decision of the District Court was given, the Minister of Justice, acting under the powers conferred upon him by Section 46 of the Law Courts Law, 1957, introduced into the Civil Procedure Rules, 1938, a new Rule 301(a) which provides that:

Where a statement of claim has been filed, and it is proved to the satisfaction of a court or registrar that the defendant is about to leave the country, either permanently or for a prolonged period, and that his absence from the country is likely to impede the proceedings or the enforcement of any judgment that may be given, the court or registrar may by order prohibit the defendant from leaving the country, or impose conditions upon his so doing.

The Rule also empowers the court or registrar to give ancillary directions for the carrying out of the order. Section 46 of the Courts Law empowers the Minister to prescribe, by Regulation,

the procedure and practice to be followed in proceedings before Courts and Registrars.

Mr. Nudelman appeared for the appellant, and Mr. Savir for the respondent.

Judgment

In delivering the judgment of the Supreme Court, Justice Landau said that the problem before it was solved by the new Rule 301(a), and that it was therefore unnecessary to consider the points that had arisen in the case before that Rule had been made.

It had been argued, Justice Landau continued, that the new rule was *ultra vires*, as in making it the Minister had exceeded the powers conferred upon him by Section 46 of the Law. Appellant's counsel had contended, he said, that such a rule, which was calculated to restrict the citizen's right of free movement, could not validly be framed unless there was some basis for it in the substantive law, and there was none here.

The Court was of opinion that this view of the matter was incorrect, Justice Landau continued. The proper question to be asked, he said, was whether the new rule purported to alter anything in the substantive law, or whether it dealt with procedure and practice, and this in turn depended upon whether the relief afforded to a plaintiff by the rule merely assisted him in giving effect to a remedy which the substantive law made available to him, or whether it itself prescribed some new remedy. The Court was of opinion that the rule merely created machinery for the enforcement of an existing remedy.

Although the means which it places in the hands of a plaintiff of restricting the personal movements of a defendant are severe, the Justice said, there was no distinction in principle between these and other means of compulsion whose purpose it was to ensure the due hearing of cases before the courts, or the effective carrying out of court orders made for the enforcement of a litigant's rights.

It was not disputed, Justice Landau said, that the appellant's leaving the country could possibly impede the enforcement of any judgment which might be entered against him, and the Court would therefore confirm the order prohibiting him from so doing.

Justices Agranat and Sussman concurred.

Appeal dismissed. Case returned to the District Court for the issue of any ancillary directions in accordance with Rule 301 (a). Each party to pay his own costs in the appeal.

Judgment delivered on November 17, 1957.

Jerusalem Sets Up Moshe Harlap Prize

A Jerusalem Prize commemorating the late Rabbi Ya'acov Moshe Harlap is to be awarded next year by the Municipality on the occasion of the Tenth Anniversary celebrations.

The Prize, which bears a cash award of IL400, will be given for the best work dealing with religious literature, Kabbala or Hassidism.

Where to go

• **Meet the Israeli:—**
Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

JERUSALEM

• **Zoo:—**
Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 8-5.

• **Exhibitions:—**
Conquest of the Desert Permanent Exhibition: Daily from 10-1, 4-6. On Friday from 10-1. Closed Saturdays.

1) Permanent Exhibition of Jewish Ceremonial Art. 2) Ancient Pottery from various civilizations, from the Museum's collections. 3) A Preview of Primitive Sculpture. 4) Marriage Contracts from many countries. 5) Graphics of German Expressionists. 6) "The Skyscraper" exhibition: Bezalel National Museum, 9-1; 2.30-5. Fridays: 9-1. Saturdays: 10-1.

Religion and Cult in Ancient Israel—Exhibition on the occasion of the Second World Congress of Jewish Studies. Also Permanent Exhibition, Department of Antiquities, 26 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech, 9-1, 3-5.

1) Oil Paintings, gouaches and watercolours by Isaac Amitai; 2) Sculptures; reliefs and drawings by Kosso Eloul; 3) Gallery of Jerusalem Artists, Artists House, 10-1, 4-6.

• **Film Shows:—**
Israel films: daily 11.30. Keren Hayesod Hall.

• **Tours:—**
Hebrew University Conducted Tour, 10 a.m. Administration Bldg., New University Campus. (Conducted tours in Hebrew daily 11 a.m.) Parents are requested not to bring children under the age of 10.

Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting at 9 a.m. Book for this free tour by phoning 4061, Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.

• **Libraries:—**
Bezalel Museum: Weekdays, 9-5 p.m. Thursday: 9-1. Closed on Fridays and Saturdays.

• **Lecture:—**
Prof. A. Tartakower, "The Jews in Eastern Europe," Beit Ha'am, 8 p.m.

• **Study Evenings:—**
Teachers Committee for the Jewish National Fund: evening devoted to the merger of the Israel committees of the Keren Hayesod and the J.N.F. and problems of developing the hill regions. Mr. M. Kahanovitz, Director of the Jewish Agency Hill Settlement Department. "Development of the Adulam region" and Mr. D. Benvenisti, "Historical Aspects of the Region," J.N.F. meeting hall, 7.30 p.m.

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• **Exhibitions:—**
"The Family of Man" Museum, 10-1.

Muriel Bentwich—Watercolours. Behrendt and Moses, 105 Rehov Ben Yehuda: 9-1, 4-7.

Paintings in oil, watercolour and pastel of Israel by Alice Beck at Katz Gallery, 97 Rehov Dizengoff, 10-1.

• **Music Appreciation:—**
Music Appreciation & Academic Circles, Z.O.A. House, 8.30.

• **Lecture:—**
"10th Anniversary Celebrations" by M. A. Weisgal, Chairman, Celebration Committee (English), Hadassah-Wizo, Hadassah Club, 80 Hayarkon Street, 4.

• **Theatre:—**
Cameri, "Yerma." Mograbi: Popular prices, 8.
Ohel, "Romeo and Juliet," New Hall 8.
Ohel, "Everything's For the Best," 8.

HAIFA

• **Tours:—**
Visit Hadassah Club, 17 Jerusalem Street; Tel. 4876.

HADERA

• **Theatre:—**
Dalgan and Szumacher, "Nine Measures of Laughter" (Yiddish).

RISHON LE-ZION

• **Theatre:—**
Habimah, "Mirele Efros."

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New Lawyers Told Of Responsibilities

Jerusalem Post Reporter

"You must always remember that the authorities are the servants of the people, not the masters of the people," Justice Olshan, President of the Supreme Court, said yesterday in Jerusalem in welcoming 64 attorneys to the Bar.

He was addressing those lawyers who intended entering Government service. He reminded them that in the 20th century the Government, its services and restrictions, faced the citizen at every turn.

The Supreme Court, he said, was not all-powerful in defending citizens. It was necessary for the authorities to help them defend their rights.

Justice Olshan reminded those lawyers going into private practice that their efforts should be directed towards helping the courts reach just decisions. There should be no "contradiction" in a lawyer's duty to the Court and the cause of justice, and that to his client. If a lawyer was uncertain what to do, he should use himself as a yardstick: would he personally use such methods to advance his own cause?

Some Biographies

The advocates were presented to Justice Olshan, who handed them their certificates, by Mr. Haim Cohen, the Attorney-General. In introducing them, Mr. Cohen, in a few words, pinpointed some highlights of their lives in a few descriptive words. For example:

Mrs. Naomi Warhaftig, wife of the Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs, managed to complete her studies despite the demands made on her by four children.

Mr. Harold Wilkenfeld an American attorney, had made "income tax collections jump" when he acted as Advisor on Taxation to the Finance Ministry. He is now a lecturer on business taxation at the Hebrew University, administrator of the Hadassah housing project, and representative of foreign investors.

Messrs. Arye Harutzim and Menahem Harutzim were a father and a son team who studied together both bearing out the name *harutzim* (diligence).

Mr. Yehoshua Shye, former head of the Migration Services in the Ministry of Interior, "had finished his legal training 30 years ago and was only now picking up his certificate" in preparation for a consular job abroad.

Mr. Moshe Zural was the first Egged bus driver to become a lawyer."

Also among the advocates called to the Bar were several Army officers, Government officials and newspapermen.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
530, 249, 33.3 & 41.7 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.35, 7.00 a.m. 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00, 11.00 p.m. **English:** 1.45 p.m. **French:** 2.00 p.m. **Arabic Programme** (including News): 7.30 a.m. 2.15, 6.00 and 11.08 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.37 Exercises. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 8.30 Close Down.

12.00 Lunchtime Music—Soloist: Amalia Rodrigues (Vocalist). 12.30 Woman's Corner. 12.45 "From the Concert Hall" — Rhapsody on a Theme by Paganini for Piano and Orchestra, op. 43 (Rachmaninoff); Overture & Comedians Dance from "The Bartered Bride" (Smetana). 3.30 Close Down.

4.30 News Summaries in English, Swedish and Spanish. 5.05 "Musical Miniatures." 5.10 Tora Lesson: by Dr. N. Leibowitz. 5.30 Youth Corner. 7.15 "We Present Tonight." 7.18 "The Meaning of a Sentence." 7.28 "Serenade"—Quiet Music. 7.45 On Our Broadcasting Service. 7.55 The Week at the U.N. — ed. by Arie Avner. 8.10 Noah's Ark. 8.55 Bible Reading: Micha Chap. I. 9.15 Concert by the Kol Yisrael Orchestra — Conductor: Georg Singer. Soloist: Ya'acov Shilo (Piano) — Serenade for Strings (Suk); Concertino for Piano & Woodwinds Group. 10.00 Poetry Reading. 10.10 Concert (cont.) — Symphony No. 98 in D (Haydn). 11.15 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
422, 460, 292.7, 41.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.00 15th & 16th Century Music. 6.45 First Broadcast — Nili Ben-Amots (Piano). 7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Rumanian. 8.15 Hungarian. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Interval. 9.15 Hebrew Lesson. 9.30 News in Easy Hebrew. 9.45 Polish. 10.00 News in English. 10.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.3 M.): Programme to South Africa: 6.30 News. 6.45 "My Job." 7.00 "Music in Our Land." 7.15 Yiddish.

Programme to U.K.: 11.30 News. 11.45 "Men in the Field." Midnight: Yosepha Shocken (Soprano). 12.15 "Sabbath Laws" —by Arie Newman.

ARMY PROGRAMME: (48.4, 216, 225 & 235 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Songs. 7.00 News. 7.10 Music from Films. 7.30 "Bow and Arrow." 8.00 "Invitation to Dance." 8.10 "Noah's Ark" (Kol Yisrael). 8.55 Interlude. 9.00 News. 9.15 Soldiers Library. 9.45 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (13.80, 16.84 & 34.80 M.): 6.30-7.00 p.m. News. News Talk. "Midweek Magazine."

Yesterday's Press

Money Lost By Ignoring Advice

Haboker (General Zionist) writes that the Hula refuses to die for the simple reason that although experts have been drumming into the ears of those who were responsible for the project that the drainage canals must be kept free of silt and sediment, the J.N.F. officials thought they knew better, feeling sure that the onrush of waters would wash the sediment down.

It has long been a characteristic of ours to ignore expert advice and it has cost us hundreds of thousands of pounds—IL250,000 in the case of the Hula, not including the ruined machinery rendered useless by neglect and disregard.

Omer (Histadrut) comments on the S.O.S. call from the Jews of Rumania and Morocco, both of which are keeping those who wish to leave for Israel imprisoned in their respective countries.

Call to Rumanian Gov't

It is true that discussions with the Rumanian Government have elicited promises that steps would be taken to allow some Jews to join their families here; but these promises were never kept. An appeal was also made to Morocco to respect human rights, but that Government only tightened the screw on prospective emigrants. Associations of immigrants from the two countries in Israel have therefore opened a campaign to prevail upon the civilized world to exert pressure upon both Rumania and Morocco.

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) stresses that no vital Rumanian interest will be affected if Bucharest responds to the call to let the Jews go and hopes for a ready response from the Rumanian Government.

Ha'aretz (non-party) feels that the decision to co-opt the workers in management of Histadrut concerns is a most fatal step and a basic error and avers that the public does not view with equanimity Hevrat Ovdim's domination of the country's economy. **Davar** (Histadrut) discusses the Palalum bankruptcy.

Herut warns against harbouring any illusions that for once Mr. Hammarskjold will find that Israel is right in her grievances against Arab behaviour. Experience has taught that his main interest is to soothe the Arabs and ask us to give up some of our rights so that they will not be irate. **Hatzofe** (World Mizrahi) writes that Israel's prolonged and long-suffering self-restraint may mislead Mr. Hammarskjold into believing that she is ready to make concessions, while **Lamerhav** (Ahdut Ha'avoda) tells the Secretary-General that we will cede none of our rights and that the Scopus convoy must and shall go up.

THE HAIFA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT No. 3

Wednesday, December 4, at 9.15 p.m. "Orah" Hall

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Musicians of the Defence Forces Symphony Orchestra.

Limited number of tickets obtainable at: The Haifa Symphony Orchestra, 15 Rehov Ahad Ha'am, between 9 a.m.-12 noon and 4-7 p.m.

The same concert will take place at the following places:
Nahariya: "Galil" Hall, December 12, 8.30.
Tiveon: "Yoval-Or" Hall, December 19, 8.30.
Hadera: "Hof" Hall, December 26, 8.30.
Haifa: Concert for Youth, "Orah" Hall, December 17, at 5 p.m.

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'SPORTOTO—ISRAEL'

The Olympic Committee and the Israel Sport and Football Associations have decided to establish "Sportoto — Israel" — a football trials and forecasts association, which will be legally registered and will operate for the encouragement and furthering of sical education in Israel, to which cause all the proceeds of the pools will be devoted. A Public Advisory Council will be formed to control "Sportoto-Israel." The pools will commence this week with the opening of the Football League Season. At a later stage "Sportoto-Israel" will include within its scope other branches of sport.

A questionnaire for participation is being published in today's 'Ma'ariv,' along with further instructions and details of the prizes.

Israel's Sports' Organizations invite all sport enthusiasts, sportsmen and the general public to participate in "Sportoto-Israel."

AT THE CINEMA

"MORT d'un Cycliste" (Orgil, Jerusalem) most probably got the Cannes Critics Award in acknowledgment of its daring: After all, this Spanish film features student riots most considerately handled by the police and admits that a Civil War veteran can do something wrong. Moreover, an art critic being the villain of the piece, the critics had to show that they were unbiased. The film is a critique of a rotten cafe society living among fake Picassos in a dusty paleo-Russian "Crime and Punishment" manner. However, a good moral does not always make for a good film. This Italo-Spanish production, featuring lovely Linda Bose among indifferent actors, cannot stand comparison with the French-Spanish "Grand' Rue."

Office Mechanization

"DESK Set" (Orna, Jerusalem) is a truly hilarious spoof about the introduction of electronic brains into the offices of a broadcasting company. It is a pity that the machines are only installed in "Enquiries," where they mix up "Curfew" with "Corfu," and in "Accountants," where they fire everybody including the president. Electronic radio scripts would have given material for some more laughs. Still, there are enough for an evening, produced by that brace of fantastic actors, Katherine Hepburn and Spencer Tracy.

Classic

FILM of the Week for young and old alike is the revival of "The Kid" at the Ron (Jerusalem). It is remarkable how the Jewishness of the little Man with the Bowler is now so much clearer than when one saw the classic first, many years ago. It is a matter of the deepest regret that Mr. Chaplin's inhibitions hinder him from creating the great concluding film of his career: the story of the little immigrant with bowler and swagger stick who, after many funny experiences, drops his funny attire for a farmer's khaki. *Th.F.M.*

French Farce

"PARIS Canaille" (Armon David, Tel Aviv) is a French farce in the accepted French manner about a teenager (Dany Robin) who is determined to grow up quickly. As her actress mother cannot admit to having a 19-year-old daughter, Dany is kept at boarding school in Geneva. She escapes, comes to Paris, falls in love with a commissioner of police (Daniel Gelin) and, although he tries hard to resist, manages to snare him. Pretty Dany Robin is almost too cute but some of the situations and the dialogue are amusing; there is a very good theme song, "Paris Canaille."

Loren in Hollywood

"BOY on a Dolphin" (Tel Aviv) has as background the Isles of Greece in the wine-dark Aegean and the beauty of the setting with its excellent colour almost makes up for the puerility of the picture. This is the first Hollywood film of the Italian star, Sophia Loren, and her luscious beauty has been fully exploited. She is cast as a sponge-diver, which gives her an opportunity to wear very little. She discovers a piece of statuary on the sea-bed, a boy on a dolphin, which brings in an American archaeologist (Alan Ladd) and an American millionaire (Clifton Webb) who, naturally enough, find the lady more interesting than the bronze. Nothing about the story is particularly important but the whole thing is certainly very easy on the eye.

Sartre, Miller, Renoir...

"LES Sorcières de Salem" (Maxim, Tel Aviv) depicts religious bigotry and witch-hunting in a Massachusetts town at the end of the 17th century with exquisite delicacy and a brilliant technique reminiscent of the Russian cinema of the '20's.

Arthur Miller's play has been adapted for the screen by Jean-Paul Sartre, who evidently did not want to leave any of the original unsaid. Additional credit goes to Raymond Rouleau, the director, and Claude Renoir for the filming, which attains an extremely high standard, whilst Georges Aurie's background music succeeds in bridging a gap of 250 years. The leading parts are filled by Yves Montand and Simone Signoret, whose shortcomings fade into insignificance in the tragic drama.

Z.O.A. Film Club

THE Z.O.A. Film Club opened the season last week with "The Great Adventure," a nature film made by Arne Suckersdorff of Sweden. It is an entransing picture with a poetical quality, very quiet in tone, and woodlands and lakes and their animal life are brought before the viewer in one beautiful picture after another. The youngsters particularly should be given a chance to see the film, and if it is not a box office proposition then maybe the Z.O.A. House might run a week of afternoon shows for schoolchildren?

The Club will show 14 films —on Monday nights — which will include "The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari," "Broken Blossoms," "The Last Laugh," "A Nous la Liberté." There are two shows, at 7 o'clock and 9, and there is still room for a few more members. *S.W.*

GIFT FROM WIZO IN CANADA

TEL AVIV, Monday. — An extra $25,000 gift has been voted by the 17th biennial convention of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO in Toronto for work among new immigrants.

Three Israel representatives attending the convention are Mrs. Fay Grove, Chairman of the World WIZO Department of Organization and Culture, Dr. Chana Gelber, Israel representative of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO, and Mrs. Rachel Shapiro, Director of Hadassim.

1,300 MORE GETTING 'SPECIAL EDUCATION'

A total of 8,512 pupils of limited capacity (backward, deaf, dumb or blind) are this year studying in the "special education" network of the Ministry of Education and Culture, as compared with 7,200 pupils the year before, the Ministry spokesman announced yesterday.

The pupils are studying in 107 schools throughout the country under 500 teachers, the majority of whom have received special training.

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SPORT ROUND THE WORLD

By Reuter Correspondents

SYDNEY.— Mervyn Rose and Mel Anderson established themselves as Australia's probable doubles pair for the Davis Cup team when they won the doubles title in the New South Wales state championships here, beating their compatriots, Ashley Cooper and Neale Fraser, 6-4, 6-4 9-7, 6-2. Rose and Anderson have played together in only three tournaments, but they proved too good for Cooper and Fraser, who had won the American doubles title earlier this year.

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MELBOURNE. — Frank Phillips, a New South Wales professional won the Australian "Open" golf championships on the Kingston Heath course here.

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ROTTERDAM. — Britain won the team event of the European Judo Championships here by defeating Holland, 2-1, in the final. In the semifinals, Britain beat Spain, 5-0 and Holland defeated Belgium, 2-1.

Notices to the Public

Drawing of the War Loan (Bearer Bonds) 1946, First Issue

The 53rd drawing of the above loan will be held at the Bank of Israel, 37 Rehov Lilienblum, Tel Aviv, on Wednesday December 4, at 4 p.m. The public is invited. Admission free.

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"BRASILIANA" COMES TO ISRAEL

By a Special Correspondent

BERLIN — The National Brazilian Negro Ballet, Song and Folklore Theatre — BRASILIANA, will leave here for Israel, following an extended tour of the Eastern Bloc countries and after a stunning success in West European capitals. Brasiliana had originally come to Eastern Germany for one month but stayed four. In Warsaw it continuously filled the great Congress Hall and in Prague the President of the Republic thanked Brasiliana for the superb Art and joy-of-life that it brought to the people. As for Western Europe — men and women lined up night after night for tickets in Copenhagen; Paris was taken by storm. "Paris-Press" admitted that "Brasiliana has the power to overcome the most sophisticated and demanding public" and the ever-strict "Dimanche-Matin" wrote:—"The Joy of the Dance and the Art of the Dance, exhibited by Brasiliana, conquered the most difficult public in the world — that of Paris." "Figaro" said: "This unusual group is marked by a simplicity that does not spring from naivity but from humour, wildness, delicacy and joy-of-life."

A Ballerina of Brasiliana

The greatest British Critics were evidently surprised by Brasiliana when it appeared in the Stoll theatre, the largest in London. "The whole Theatre danced with them," reported "News Chronicle." "Women in evening dress and their escorts in dark suits, at a Gala Premiere Performance, applauded with the rhythm. It was contagious. People in the Hall, in the Boxes and the Balconies started to dance to the powerful music — old and young, men and women, until the whole theatre looked like waves moving to and fro with the movement of pleasure. What caused the serious British public to forget itself in such manner?"—It was the last number of Brasiliana — "Carnaval."

A.A. Wilson ("Star") said of that evening — "Never did such a thing happen in England at a gala performance, but again — never was there seen such a performance in London."

Yet "Carnaval" represents only one type of dance in the Brasiliana programme, which includes serious art as well. Of this wrote the "New Statesman and Nation" Critic, A. Pierjohn: "These Negroes are able to move without effort, as if against their will or at any rate without any conscious will, whilst white dancers move in time, if at all. The liveliness and grace of this group are wonderful. The choreography—inventive, based in most cases upon old forms of entertainment and rituals. Brasiliana creates its dances on the stage as if for its own pleasure and the presence or absence of the public seems purely accidental. Nelson Ferraz is a most impressive singer but the best is Matsus, the sad Drummer. Never have I heard such solo drumming, which rises to the summit of emotion and moves our hearts until we think we shall burst."

BRASILIANA was created only seven years ago in Rio de Janeiro, strangely enough — by a Jewish immigrant from Poland, M. Ashkenzazi, who noticed the rich cultural heritage and contemporary creative music and choreography of the Brasilian Negroes being "wasted" in the narrow streets of the natives' suburbs. He put all his love and invested a considerable amount of money into shaping from these rough performers a formative stage art. Brasiliana was a major discovery for Brazil itself, where the Negroes were still slaves a mere 70 years ago and their culture looked down upon by the white population until quite recently. After touring all Latin-America, Brasiliana came to Europe and in the last four years has made repeated appearances in Scandinavia, England, France, Italy, Spain and now in Eastern Europe, has been recorded by Columbia and Phillips and has appeared on Television. The demand for its appearances is, indeed, so great that it can hardly find time to go to Brazil for short vacations.

BRASILIANA'S PROGRAMME includes Labour (Plantation) songs and dances, religious, ritualistic lances of ecstasy, the birth of the Samba, village festivities and the life of the Negro peasant, legends from the days of Negro Independence in Africa, the full scope of human sadness, primitive instincts and simple joy.

The 42 members of Brasiliana — female and male dancers, singers and orchestra, will arrive in Israel by air and hold their Premiere Gala Performance at the Tel-Aviv Mann Auditorium on December 17, with two additional performances on December 18 and 19. The group is managed by Impresario W. Robert, who presented "Porgy And Bess" in Israel.

The sale of tickets begins tomorrow, Wednesday, at Radio Union, 116 Rehov Dizengoff, and at Kanaf, 81 Allenby Rd., Tel Aviv.

Today's Postbag

The Weather

Forecast: Showery, occasional thunderstorms, clearing temporarily during the day.

	A	B	C	D
Mt. Cana'an	—	8	—	15
Tiberias	37	14	23	21
Haifa Port	61	15	22	20
Natanya	67	14	23	20
Tel Aviv Kirya	61	14	22	20
Tel Aviv Port	65	15	21	20
Lydda Airport	60	14	22	20
Jerusalem	48	10	16	14
Beersheba	55	15	20	19
Eilat	80	15	26	24

"A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Mr. A. Yaron, the General Director of Incode, from East Africa after a two-month trip on company business (by Cyprus Airways).

DEPARTURES

Mr. P. Levin, General Manager of traffic of the Zim company, to Brussels, for talks with representatives of Swedish, Polish and Finnish steamship companies in connection with the inauguration of Zim's new line to the Polish port of Gdynia.

THE SIX-INCH steel pipes produced by the Koor-owned Middle East Tube Company have been approved as meeting the requirements of the American Petroleum Institute, the Koor spokesman has announced. The pipes were tested by the Moody Engineering Co., of Cleveland, Ohio, and were found fit for use on oil pipelines.

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GOVERNMENT-EMPLOYED engineers may strike from December 18 if their claims for regrading are not met by then.

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A NEW AUTOMATIC telephone exchange with 750 subscribers and capacity for a possible 3,000 was opened in Rehovot on Sunday by the Ministerof Posts, Dr. Joseph Burg. All telephone numbers have been altered to six digits.

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A TIBERIAS milkman, B. Levy, was yesterday sentenced to two and a half months prison and fined IL400 by Magistrate Y. Bar-Ze'ev for selling watered-down milk. Tests had shown that the milk was diluted with 40 per cent water.

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GRADUATES of evening secondary schools under the supervision of the Ministry of Education and Culture will henceforth receive the same diplomas awarded to daytime secondary school graduates, the Ministry spokesman announced yesterday.

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THE TWO KIRYAT HAIM boys who were detained last week on a charge of assaulting a 16-year-old girl are not pupils of the Kirya secondary school, as erroneously stated in *The Jerusalem Post* last Tuesday. They attend school in Haifa.

TEN YEARS AGO TODAY

THE STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE

With the failure of the Arab attacks of the last two days against the outlying areas of Tel Aviv, Arab snipers have opened rifle and submachine-gun fire from Jaffa roof emplacements against the bordering districts in Tel Aviv.

The Chairman of the Jewish Agency Executive, Mr. David Ben-Gurion, last night called for the establishment of an all-Jewish coalition for the next 10 years. Mr. Ben-Gurion declared that during the next decade we must bring in at least 1,500,000 Jews so that the Jewish population in the new state would reach two million by the end of that period.

A convoy of four buses left Tel Aviv for Jerusalem today with a guard of armoured cars and Arab policemen. The bus convoy from Jerusalem to Tel Aviv was forced to set out without armed guard as the promised military escort failed to appear. Both convoys went by way of back roads.

Churgin Funeral From Bar-Ilan Today

B'NEI BRAK, Monday. — The remains of Pinkhos Churgin, President of Bar-Ilan University arrived at Lydda Airport from New York by El Al today, accompanied by the deceased's two daughters, Naomi and Betty.

The body was received at the airport by the Minister of Posts, Dr. J. Burg; the Deputy Minister for Religious Affairs, Dr. Z. Warhaftig; the Deputy Minister for Social Affairs, Dr. J. S. Rosenberg, Dr. M. Nurock, M.K., representatives of the University, the National Religious Party, the Tel Aviv Municipality, and the U.S. Embassy.

The remains were brought to the University campus where it will remain until 11 a.m. today when the funeral procession will leave for the Kiryat Shaul cemetery.

Vegetable Prices

Price controls on eggplant, cabbage and radishes are to be imposed from tomorrow. Eggplant grade "A" is to cost a maximum of 300 pruta per kilogram, grade "B" 160 pruta; cabbage 150 pruta per kilogram, and radishes, 100 pruta per kilogram.

This brings the number of items under price control to 14. The others are: bananas 600 pr. per kilo, oranges 135 pr., grapefruit 180 pr., lemons 260 pr., tomatoes 200 pr., carrots 200 pr., lettuce, grade "A" 250 pr., grade "B" 150 pr. per kilo., green and yellow pepper 400 pr., potatoes 150 pr., onions, 150 pr.

RATION NEWS

Meat, for November, 100 gr. per person, 140 pr. on coupon 360 (194 temp. cards).

Tabor Held for Questioning On Story of Kidnapping

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Police have not yet released Eli Tabor, the "Ha'olam Hazeh" reporter, who was missing for 25 hours over the week-end and allegedly kidnapped.

Shortly after returning to his apartment at 58 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech here last night, Tabor was taken for questioning by police. It is learned that Tabor's answers were not consistent and when asked to submit himself to a lie detector he refused to do so before having consulted with his lawyer, Mr. Shmuel Tamir.

Tabor is due either to appear before a Magistrate tomorrow, or be released.

Mr. Shmuel Tamir this morning visited the reporter at Jaffa prison. He told *The Jerusalem Post* that he was asked to advise Tabor to face a lie detector, but as he had not heard his client's story at first hand he refused to give any advice. He saw Tabor in the presence of Assistant Superintendent Zvi Aharoni, of the Police Special Branch, for ten minutes, he said.

Tabor's wife was permitted to bring her husband extra food to the prison this afternoon, but was not permitted to see him.

Shortly after *The Post* reporter last night telephoned to the "Ha'olam Hazeh" offices that Tabor had reached home in a dishevelled state, correspondents of that journal hurried to the home of Tabor with loaded revolvers at the ready. With them was detective Ze'ev Steinberg, formerly Police H.Q. chief of the Criminal Investigation Department, who has at different times been both violently attacked and passionately defended by "Ha'olam Hazeh."

When questioned by The Post reporter where he had come from, Tabor said, "I cannot tell you a thing. I don't think there'll be a story." Seeing some books lying on the floor of his flat, he asked, "Have they searched this place?"

Evidence Doubted

It was understood here tonight that Police were following up several lines of investigation, but have not yet arrived at any satisfactory conclusion. There is strong reason to suspect that Tabor's evidence is neither complete nor substantially accurate. After originally offering full cooperation he later declined to assist the Police, and in particular refused to attempt a reconstruction of the alleged kidnapping, claiming that he could not remember what had happened.

One possibility was, it was thought, that Tabor had indeed been taken off by unknown persons, perhaps without violence, and held for a period, but that his account of what took place during this time is not correct. While there was as yet no clear evidence who might have been involved, it was possible that the group concerned wished to settle accounts with "Ha'olam Hazeh," which has contrived to make many enemies in the course of its existence.

ELI TABOR

"The charges by the editor of the weekly, Uri Avneri, against the *Shin Bet* are absurd, and it is impossible to suppose that he believes them himself," a *Shin Bet* spokesman said. To this categoric and official denial the spokesman added that the first the *Shin Bet* heard of the affair was the inquiry made of the Prime Minister, who is personally responsible for the Security Services, by Mr. Y. Rokach, M.K., on behalf of Mr. Tabor's father.

"The charge is ridiculous as to details. It cannot be supposed that a Government agency would have to take Tabor overland for long distances on foot in order to find a place in which to interrogate him conveniently, or that they would choose an old military emplacement for such a purpose, where the interrogators had not facilities or communications. As to the details of his private life which the interrogators allegedly produced, these were much more likely to be known, for instance, to other members of the 'Ha'olam Hazeh' staff."

If Tabor was really abducted, under circumstances not creditable to his paper, it is believed to be quite possible that an on-the-spot decision may have been taken to attempt to throw the blame on the *Shin Bet*, with which the paper has been much concerned in its defamation campaigns during the past year.

It is not yet ruled out, however, that there was no kidnapping and that Tabor may have staged his adventure, either by himself or with the help of others. In that case the aim may have been simply publicity, or may prove to have been organized with a view to causing a disruption in the trials of the persons connected with the underground movement believed to be responsible for the killing of Dr. Kastner last March.

Memorial Assembly For Nehemia Argov

TEL AVIV, Monday. — Several hundred persons, including leaders of the State, this evening paid their respects to the memory of Alufi-Mishne Nehemia Argov, the Prime Minister's military secretary, who took his own life 30 days ago.

Mr. Shimon Peres Director-General of the Defence Ministry, told the meeting of A/M Argov's career. Mr. A. Avinoam of the Defence Ministry, recited Bialik's "Let me Share your Fate," and a soldier read extracts from the deceased's diary and letters.

Present were the deceased's brother David, the President's aide, Prime Minister and Mrs. Ben-Gurion, Mrs. Chaim Weizmann, Cabinet Ministers Members of the Knesset, the Mayor of Jerusalem and Mrs. Agron, the Chief of Staff, senior Defence Force and Police officers, directors-general of ministries and many other distinguished personalities.

Zvi Ben-Haim, Habimah Veteran

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The funeral of the veteran Habimah actor Zvi Ben-Haim, who died yesterday at the age of 59, took place today at the Kiryat Shaul cemetery.

At noon the bier was brought to the Habimah Theatre entrance where it remained for two hours to allow the deceased's friends and admirers to pay their respects. A large number of actors M.K.'s and representatives of national institutions attended the funeral ceremony.

The deceased was one of the founders of Habimah.

Team to Probe Agency Efficiency

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A public committee has been appointed to study the efficiency of work methods in the Jewish Agency and submit recommendations to the Agency Executive, it was reported to the Executive yesterday.

The committee is composed of Mr. Z. Kenner, Director of the Histadrut Press Office in Haifa, Chairman; Mr. A. Arieli, Deputy Commissioner of State Revenue; Mr. A. Ben-David, Assistant Director-General of the Ministry of Agriculture; Mr. B. Yaffe, of the Agency's Administration Department and Mr. G. Zakif, Secretary General of the Agency.

The establishment of such a committee was decided upon by the Executive in August.

The Agency spokesman told a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday that the annual U.J.A. meeting to be held in New York for two days beginning December 14 would be preceded by a closed session of Jewish community leaders from all over the country to hear a report from the recent U.J.A. study mission in Israel. Mr. Moshe Sharett, M.K., has been invited to address the session and is expected to leave shortly for the U.S. as is Dr. Dov Joseph, Agency Treasurer.

The spokesman stated, in reply to a question, that the Head of the Settlement Department, Mr. L. Eshkol, had informed the Executive that he was continuing to deal personally in the matter of the Agency legal action in connection with Yagel settlers who had not paid back debts.

Convict in Menkes' Defence

By MARK SEGAL,
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday.—Eliyahu Hadad, the Tel Mond prisoner who achieved notoriety during his prison break early this year, told the District Court today of talks with Zeev Eckstein after the latter's arrest.

Hadad, who has served various prison sentences since 1946, was the first defence witness called by the counsel of Yosef Menkes, who, together with Eckstein and Dan Shemer, is on trial for the murder of Dr. Israel Kastner last March.

Hadad said that Eckstein had told him, "Menkes is crazy. I am dead scared of him." In answer to questions by Menkes' counsel, Mr. M. Kritzman, the witness claimed that Eckstein had told him of having worked with the Shin Bet. Hadad described incidents he said were related to him by Eckstein, which involved the lawyer, Mr. S. Tamir, "who the Shin Bet wants to put into the soup." Another story he told was that Eckstein had spoken of "scattering pieces of green cement paper in Menkes' courtyard, so as to incriminate him." When cross-examined by Eckstein's counsel, Mr. A. Tal, he contradicted himself, on one occasion saying that "the paper chase" had been carried out "after the murder." Mr. Tal retorted, "I see that they did not brief you well enough." (Eckstein had been arrested immediately after the murder.)

Mrs. Menkes, wife of the accused, was the next witness. She was permitted to give her evidence sitting down.

She told the prosecutor, Mrs. M. Ben Porat, that she had asked Ya'acov Heruti (the lawyer who is now standing trial for leadership of a terrorist underground) to defend her husband "because he is a young lawyer, and I wanted to give him a chance." She denied that Heruti had visited her husband before the murder. She admitted knowing Eitan Gavrieli, but denied that he had visited their home the Saturday before the murder. Similarly, she denied knowing Israel Taig, or of having given him IL150. (Taig, the owner of the Kfar Saba chicken run arms cache, had testified that he had visited the Menkes' home.) She said that she knew Dr. Sheib and had visited him together with her husband.

Mrs. Menkes admitted they had let the Sulam Club use their outhouse, but had not known of lectures being held there, "only Bible lessons."

Mrs. Menkes had not known either Avraham Razon or Ariel Eliashvili, and in general was never introduced to her husband's visitors, she said with some hesitation.

In answer to a question by Judge Y. Gavison, she denied having known Eckstein or of having seen him either in her home or in the Sulam clubroom. (Eckstein had told of frequent visits to the Menkes' home.)

The trial will continue tomorrow. The court is composed of Relieving President, Judge M. Kennet, and Judges Y. Gavison and Y. Zundelewicz.

Knesset

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rahi) thought it strange that women Members should seem to be interested in making it easier to enter into and dissolve a marriage. It was the woman who was the main beneficiary of strict marriage laws, he said.

The Minister of Justice, Mr. Pinhas Rosen, replying to speakers who had criticized the fact that a number of laws passed by the Knesset grant pensions and other privileges to "a woman commonly known as the wife," pointed out that this phrase did not cover every illicit union. In one case, a district attorney had argued that although the woman in question had lived with the man in question for a number of years "everyone knew that she was not his wife."

Referring to the criticism of the Amendment expressed by speakers of Ahdut Ha'avoda, Mapam, and even Mapai, Mr. Rosen said that when he presents a bill he does so in the name of all five Coalition parties.

There was no need for Knesset Members "who are known to the public as members of the Coalition" to state their objections to the Marriage and Divorce Law.

Mr. Rosen said that all the Coalition parties had agreed, when they joined the Government, that no change be made in the Marriage and Divorce law by the present Government. "Certain conclusions follow from that," he added.

HOUSE SECURITY BODY NAMED

The Knesset Speaker Mr. Yosef Sprinzak, has appointed the three members of the special committee on Knesset security, the formation of which was decided on last week.

The committee will consist of Mr. David Hacohen (Mapai), Mr. Yosef Saphir (General Zionist) and Mr. Yigal Alon (Ahdut Ha'avoda).

The Knesset Presidium met last night for a further discussion of Knesset security. It is considering a number of proposals for enlarging the present Knesset building.

POST'S 25th YEAR

Our Contemporaries Greet Us

Greetings to the editor and all the staff and employees of *The Jerusalem Post* on the occasion of its silver jubilee have been received from the Minister of Interior, Mr. Y. Bar-Yehuda. He writes:

"We all know the great task the paper fulfilled before Statehood in the field of presenting our case to friends as well as to enemies — a most important task in which the paper has persisted to this day.

"May you continue in the future as you have in the past faithfully to carry out this most important aim."

From New York came a message from the General Manager of the Associated Press, Mr. Frank J. Starzel, who writes: "It has been a distinctive venture in publication, well acclaimed by the response of the readers of *The Post* over these many years. Our greetings and salutations."

Other messages came from the management and staff of Barclays Bank (D.C. & O.), Western Branch; from Mr. Louis Chissick, of Haifa, Manager of the Armon Cinema and one of the paper's veteran shareholders; from the "Acum" Society of Composers and Music Publishers, whose director, Mr. M. Avidom, sends heartfelt congratulations on behalf of the Society.

From Natanya, Aharon Even-Hen, our Emek Hefer correspondent, recalls the night of December 1, 1932, when a few feet away from the make-up table in the old Hassolel press where the first copy of *The Post* was being put together, he was working with the late Itamar Ben-Avi on "putting to bed" the "Doar Hayom." Mr. Even-Hen adds the wish that we may be permitted to see the paper's golden jubilee.

Two of our contemporaries yesterday offered their congratulations. "Haboker" and "Ma'ariv" wrote that *The Post* was never considered a foreign-language paper, for "although its medium may be English, its spirit, as the President pointed out, is Hebrew." "Haboker" added that the paper's founder, Mayor Gershon Agron, and his successor, Mr. T. R. Luria, have always considered themselves Hebrew journalists operating in the English language "without a trace of snobbishness and without the aura of pride one noticed among certain circles who strutted their foreignness."

The paper recalls the blowing up of *The Post* by "British Police hoodlums when, despite the fire and general destruction, the paper came out in the morning to report the dastardly attempt to destroy it.

"In the State, *The Post* constitutes the English show window of the Hebrew press in the country," "Haboker" concluded.

"Maariv" wrote that *The Post* merits respect for appearing in the capital, as well as its good taste and serious approach to all problems, especially in the field of honest and efficient reporting. It added:

"Even those who do not agree with the paper's views must admit that it is perhaps the most decent newspaper in the State, into which it is trying to inject the best of the serious Anglo-Saxon Press tradition."

Foreign Readers Help Toy Fund

Help from overseas readers of *The Jerusalem Post* sent yesterday's cash contributions up to IL945, bringing the Toy Fund total to IL4,297,750.

The mailbag brought $150 from our regular well-wisher in Santiago de Chile, who signs himself A.S.; a batch of cheques totalling $51 from Elisabeth Muller of New York, which she had collected from her friends. Mrs. Muller writes: "My husband is a subscriber to *The Jerusalem Post* and we look forward to reading it every day. We are impressed by your noble work in collecting toys for the children in the border settlements... I hope that this little cash will bring joy and pleasure to some children who had no luck in receiving Hanukka presents from their own parents."

Eleanor B. Reid, of San Francisco, sent her personal cheque for $10 and added on 50 cents to cover the bank charges. She also enclosed a dollar bill asking us to please send her our Semi-Jubilee Issue by airmail.

The Natanya Rotary Club, the first of the movement to answer the Toy Fund plea when it first started nine years ago, has again sent its contribution — this year IL40, and five have answered our plea of yesterday for 100 persons to give us IL25 in honour of the silver anniversary of this paper.

Contributors of yesterday and Sunday include:—

$150.00. — A.S., Santiago de Chile.
IL150. — Palestine Edible Products Ltd., Haifa.
IL50. — Sonol Israel Ltd., Haifa.
IL40. — Natanya Rotary Club.
IL38. — Canasta Players of Tel Aviv and Herzliya.
IL35. — Paula and Mordechai Petowsky, in memory of Tamar; Somkekh, Chaikin and Citron Co.; Dr. Hayman; Jerusalem. L. Grigonis; Layam Ltd.; Haifa. Belfante and Cantoni Ltd.; Teva Ltd.; Tel Aviv.
$10.50. — Eleanor B. Reid, San Francisco, California.
$10.00. — William North; "Signature Illegible"; New York.
IL15. — Esra, Givatayim. Anonymous, Jerusalem.
IL10. — Lilly Gidron, in memory of Shlomo Rosenberg; Anonymous; Jerusalemite Friends of Daliat el-Carmel Cat Nadia; Mrs. Levin; Jerusalem. Amalia Biedermann, Haifa. Israel and Rhoda Traub, Zichron Yaacov. De Haas Bros.; Zevah Ltd.; Kfar Ata. Alef 3; Vera Agriel of the Bulgarian Company; Boasson Cohen; Dan and Ronnie Dwielatzky; Tel Aviv.
$5.00. — Martin Jacoby; Albert Bergman (Jamaica); Dr. I. Muller; Elizabeth Klein (Brooklyn). "Signature Illegible"; New York.
IL9. — Shona, Marcia and Atara Potashnik of Beth Maamul, Jerusalem.
IL7. — Prof. Reis, Jerusalem.
IL6. — Early Commuters Company, Ramat Gan. Office Holders, 24 Rothschild Blvd.; E. and H. Liebrecht; Tel Aviv.

WOMAN, 70, DIES IN FALL FROM ROOF

ACRE, Monday. — A 70-year-old woman, Hazne Halil Taha, from Majd el-Krum, died this morning when she fell off the roof of her house while hanging laundry.

Aguda to Resist Conservative Bid

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Orthodox Jewry will protest against the decision of the Conservative Movement in America to set up their spiritual headquarters in Israel as it protested against an infiltration move by the Reform Movement.

This was stated yesterday by Rabbi Zalman Sorotzkin, President of the Rabbinical Council of Agudat Yisrael, at the opening meeting of the World Executive of the movement in Agudat Yisrael headquarters in Jerusalem. Of the 58 members of the Executive attending the session, 28 have come from abroad.

Rabbi Yehezkiel Sarne, head of the Hebron Yeshiva, sharply criticized Dr. Josef Burg, Minister of Posts, for his Knesset statement last week that it was no desecration of the Day of Atonement to keep posted on the "sputnik."

The Executive was addressed by Rabbi Yitzhak Meir Levin, M.K.; Mr. H.A. Goodman, Chairman of the European Executive; and Dr. Yitzhak Levin, Chairman of the American Executive.

The assembly was blessed by Rabbi Israel Alter, the Rebbe of Gur; and Rabbi M. S. Friedman, of Boyan.

The sessions, which will last a week, are to continue today in the Kings' Hotel. The merger of Agudat Yisrael and Poalei Agudat Yisrael is to be discussed.

Mapai Professionals Attack Josephthal

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Monday. — A report quoting Dr. Giora Josephthal as saying that "The professional class is an unreliable political element," and expressing his opposition to granting their salary demands, has raised a storm of protest in Mapai circles.

Dr. Josephthal, who is the party's Secretary - General, was reported to have made these statements in an interview with "Lamerhav." Although it is understood that a public retraction may be made, Mapai leaders in professional organizations have opened an offensive for a clarification of their Party's stand on the question. It is also believed that the Mapai Secretariat will be convened this week-end to discuss the matter.

Meanwhile a sub-committee of the 13-man economic committee that has been charged with formulating an official economic policy for Mapai has recommended a general salary rise of IL60 a month for professional workers. Other recommendations include reduction in income tax rates and a reassessment of seniority ratings.

Wallenstein to Give Youth Concerts

TEL AVIV Monday. — A series of five concerts for young people is to be given by the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra under the baton of Alfred Wallenstein, who is conducting the present series of subscription concerts. This was announced by Mr. Z. Haftel, at a press conference today.

Licences Suspended For Road Offences

TEL AVIV, Monday. — The public must be defended against those who shed blood on the roads, Magistrate C. Ehrlich said here today on passing sentences on four motorists for traffic offences.

Matityahu Schechter, who had knocked over and wounded a pedestrian, was fined IL100 and his licence was suspended for a year. Shlomo Wapnig, whose car was involved in a collision with a police vehicle, was also fined IL100 and his licence was suspended for two months. Two truck drivers were fined IL100 and their licences suspended for three months after they had struck motorcyclists. *(Itim)*

THE LICENCE of a Jerusalem motorcyclist was yesterday suspended for three years after he had been found guilty of driving while standing on the seat with one leg and with his other leg in the air.

Cool Driver Saves Crowd

TIBERIAS, Monday. — A calamitous road accident was narrowly averted yesterday by a cool-headed bus driver, after he collided with a truck on the steep Nazareth Road in the town's centre.

The busdriver, Mr. B. Sassoon, was driving his passenger-laden bus downhill when, he claims, he was blinded by an oncoming car. As a result, he hit a parked truck and started to careen downhill when his brakes failed. With the road in front of him teeming with cars and pedestrians, he luckily managed to coast the bus into a side street and halt it.

The only casualty was a woman who fainted during the manoeuvre.

Cables in Brief

SIMONE SILVA. — Simone Silva, the 29-year-old Cairo-born film actress found dead in her London flat on Saturday night, died after a stroke, police said yesterday.

LESLIE HENSON. — The English comedian, Leslie Henson, died at his home near London yesterday at the age of 66.

ROYAL OAK. — The 29,000-ton British battleship Royal Oak, sunk by a German submarine off northern Scotland, is to be salvaged, the Admiralty in London disclosed today as it invited tenders for scrapping the ship, which cost £2.5m. to build.

COLD. — Britain had one of the coldest days of the year on Sunday and at nightfall temperatures dropped below freezing point in many parts of the country.

GOLD. — A housewife on a Soviet farm in north Kazakhstan found lumps of gold in the crop of one domestic duck and gold dust in the crops of others, indicating the possible existence of a vein of gold on the farm, Moscow Radio reported on Sunday night.

EPIDEMIC. — Cholera and smallpox both were officially declared epidemic yesterday in the municipal area of Calcutta, and officials ordered emergency anti-epidemic regulations into effect for the next three months.

STOLEN. — A 74 year-old former parson, who wrote a book called "I stole 16 million dollars" and other works emphasizing the futility of crime, has been charged at Courtenay, British Columbia, with stealing goods worth two dollars.

TUMOUR. — Tumour diagnosing apparatus using ultra-sonic rays which locate tumours in their initial stages have been designed by the Soviet Institute of Medical Instruments and Equipment, Moscow Radio reported on Sunday night.

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	1,000,000		995,440	985,440
Receipts on account of shares to be issued			33,182	
Share premium account			186,453	184,453
General reserve			50,000	40,000
Profit and loss appropriation account—profit			77,887	60,220
Total capital and surplus			1,342,962	1,270,113
DEBENTURES—secured by a floating charge on the assets of the Association (including IL.25,372—interest accrued)		1,734,812		1,809,665
Add—receipts on account of debentures to be issued		93,000		93,500
Total debentures			1,827,812	1,903,165
LOANS PAYABLE (including IL.47,579—interest accrued)—of this IL.1,363,234 secured by a floating charge on the assets of the Association			1,369,627	2,110,009
CURRENT LIABILITIES—creditors and credit balances			806,716	1,139,100
PROVISIONS:				
For taxes		87,341		36,233
For sundry purposes		30,000		30,000
Total provisions			87,341	56,233
INCOME IN ADVANCE—interest, etc.			18,755	12,763
CONTRA ACCOUNT—settlers in agricultural settlements—for their deposits, etc.—to secure repayment of their debts due to the Association		9,412		
		9,412		
			7,443,113	6,481,377

FIXED ASSETS:	IL.	December 31 1956 IL.	December 31 1955 IL.
Office in co-operative building in Jerusalem—at cost less depreciation	20,948		22,800
Water plant in Kfar Hess—at cost	2,100		2,100
Motor car—at cost less depreciation	6,541		
Office furniture and fixtures—at nominal value	1		1
Total fixed assets		29,587	24,901
INVESTMENTS—at cost:			
Shares	15,000		15,000
Government of Israel Compulsory Loan, 1952	8,744		8,744
Total investments		23,744	23,744
LOANS TO AGRICULTURAL SETTLEMENTS—			
(including IL.78,406—interest)	6,936,065		6,283,440
Less—provision for doubtful debts	67,500		65,000
Total loans to agricultural settlements		6,868,565	6,218,440
CURRENT ASSETS:			
Debtors and debit balances	326,190		86,730
Deposits in bank—for redemption of debentures (first issue)—in the name of trustees	9,879		9,226
Cash in banks	183,771		115,801
Prepaid expenses—rent, etc.	1,677		3,035
Total current assets		521,217	214,792
CONTRA ACCOUNT—deposits, etc., registered jointly in the name of the Association and borrowers:			
Cash in bank	8,531		
Government of Israel Compulsory Loan, 1952—at cost	901		
Dr. SH. KROLIK, N. KASPI } Directors	9,412		
		7,443,113	6,481,377

PROFIT AND LOSS APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT TO DECEMBER 31, 1956

DEBIT

	IL.	December 31 1956 IL.	December 31 1955 IL.
4½% dividends on ordinary shares for 1955—gross	44,340		
Less—25% income tax deducted at source	11,085		
		33,255	32,818
Provision for taxes		90,845	71,834
Provisions and appropriations		25,500	57,906
Profit as at December 31, 1956—carried to balance sheet		77,887	60,220
		230,487	222,777

CREDIT

	December 31 1956 IL.	December 31 1955 IL.
Profit as at January 1, 1956	60,220	46,779
Special grant received from Keren Hayesood, Ltd.		28,000
Profit for the year ended December 31, 1956	170,267	147,998
	230,487	222,777

AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Shareholders and Board of Directors of
PALESTINE AGRICULTURAL SETTLEMENT ASSOCIATION, LTD.:

WE HAVE EXAMINED the balance sheet of Palestine Agricultural Settlement Association, Ltd., as at December 31, 1956 and the related statement of income and profit & loss for the year ended on that date. We have obtained all the information and explanations which were required for the purpose of our examination. In our opinion, proper books of account have been kept, so far as it appears from our examination of those books, and the balance sheet and statement of income and profit & loss were drawn up in accordance therewith.

Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the above balance sheet and the related statement of income and profit & loan present fairly the financial position of the company as at December 31, 1956 and the results of its operations for the year ended on that date, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

KESSELMAN & KESSELMAN
Accountants and Auditors

Jerusalem, October 28, 1957

Economic News from Abroad

Less Investment in the U.S.

● The annual survey of businessmen's plans for investment conducted by the McGraw-Hill Department of Economics, revealed that U.S. business as a whole plans to reduce its capital spending by seven per cent in 1958 and most companies expect 1959 to be similar to 1958. In manufacturing as a whole, planned expenditure has fallen by 18 per cent, and in some important industries, such as steel and automobiles, it is down by 20 per cent and more.

These sharp declines are partly offset by a continuing high level of investment planned by the oil industry, the electric and gas utilities, and telephone, shipping and aircraft companies, but a prolonged decline in manufacturing investments may cause a cut in these plans too.

The survey has also revealed that U.S. manufacturing companies were operating at 82 per cent of their capacity, as compared with over 90 per cent in 1955. The prospect of a Democratic president after 1960 also discourages big business from considering expansion. However, economists point out that most companies plan to maintain and even increase their spending on technical research and development in 1958, and technological progress leads to considerable investments for new products promising high returns. As a matter of fact, a lot of new production techniques and consumer goods are already in the blueprint stage, and may help to shorten the coming break in capital investment.

Advertisers Prefer TV

● In the first half of 1957, British firms trebled their spending on TV advertising over the first half of 1956, while expenditure on press advertising increased by a mere five per cent. The share of TV in total advertising figures rose from nine per cent to 23 and is still going up rapidly. For a whole range of products, it already accounts for between a third and over half of the total.

Supermarket Costs

● A survey of a medium-sized supermarket in Europe shows that it works on a trade margin of 16 per cent. Rent accounts for two per cent, wages for five (two per cent for 15 packers and three per cent for 25 servers), packaging materials for one, lighting, heating, freezing for 1.5, breakages, loss etc., for 1.5, miscellaneous for 3.5, and the net profit for 1.5 per cent.

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THE details of Palalum's financial position have not yet been cleared up, but it is evidently one of the biggest failures in our industrial history, with liabilities **A STATE** approaching IL2m. and assets far be- **OF MIND** low that sum and largely immobilized by the stoppage of work.

Such a bankruptcy must inevitably reverberate in many directions, particularly since it involves a long-established firm with good connections both in the ministries and in banking circles. As a matter of fact, over half a million pounds had been loaned to the company from the Development Budget last year in vain attempts to keep it going, and negotiations were proceeding for revamping it with a similar amount from Histadrut sources, though this plan did not materialize in the end.

No financial aid could, however, restore the company's efficiency and earning power in the face of keen competition, and while this state of affairs continued the management shied from radical retrenchments and resorted to black market loans at exorbitant interest rates. As a result, losses kept on accumulating and the liquid reserves were consumed.

In a sense, Palalum's failure may rightly be considered a delayed reaction to the "New Economic Policy" introduced in 1952, not, as has been claimed, because the devaluation of the pound drained the company's capital resources (for it has not had to face the problem of replacing its producing equipment) but because inflation slowed down as a result of the reforms and no longer kept pace with Palalum's overspending.

However, the disquieting part of the picture is that though the company has been deep in the red for two years and its position and prospects have been well known to all the authorities concerned, no serious attempt was made to rescue it or at least to stop the wastage while it was still manageable.

Without in the least detracting from the personal responsibility of the company's owners, one must wonder whether things could have taken such a turn if, by a tacit consensus of our business community, a company's financial status were not relegated to secondary importance by considerations of national employment, supply and development, or brushed aside by political nepotism.

Such a state of mind pays no regard to whether a product's price covers its total costs, whether adequate reserves are put aside for replacement and contingent liabilities (including statutory and contractual contributions to pension funds, so as to put the management in a position to be able to decide freely about the dismissal of employees), whether enough resources are kept in liquid form to cover current liabilities, whether a concern's earning assets are still worth their original value in real terms, or whether perhaps a "painful reappraisal" is in place in view of newer production methods or a changed market situation.

It is this state of mind which enables Economic Ministers and financial institutions to entertain requests for credits, materials and equipment from Yuval Gad, the Afula sugar factory and dozens of other firms because of all kinds of "compassionate reasons" and to overrule objections raised "merely" on economic grounds.

Palalum is singled out by the fact that it is a private firm and therefore cannot take refuge in ideological face-saving. But if that cover were lifted and the facts revealed, one would presumably find similar situations in quite a number of other enterprises. Instead of trying to correct individual failures by improving national policy, perhaps the time has come to attach more importance to personal responsibility, to apply stricter rules to granting credits (including those from the Development Budget and the Histadrut's Employment Fund) and thus to improve the position of the individual concerns of which the national economy is made up.

Merchant Marine Feels the Pinch

WAGE BILL HIGH, RATES GOING DOWN

By Our Economic Editor

THE sharp recession that world shipping has been undergoing since last summer has severely affected the Israel merchant marine as well, *The Jerusalem Post* is informed. Though the slump has primarily affected tramp shipping, its repercussions are acutely felt by scheduled vessels as well. With tramp rates down to half their level a year ago, a good deal of cargo which would have been sent aboard scheduled ships now goes to chance freighters eager to cover at least their basic expenses instead of being laid up. As a result, the scheduled lines, too, have been forced to adjust their rates.

Thus the Levant Conference has cut the basic rate for heavy cargo (such as iron) by about $2 per ton, which amounts to 12 per cent, and export rates from Levant ports have been cut by 15 per cent and more. The rate for citrus shipments to Continental ports has been fixed at 5s. 4½d. per crate instead of last year's 6s. 4½d., and to British ports at six shillings instead of 6s. 9d.

Nevertheless, the volume of cargo moved by Zim ships has been going down in the past few months. The company has cancelled most of its charter parties for foreign vessels, but it has difficulty finding enough goods for its own bottoms. The El Yam company's older units are employed under long-term charter contracts, but it has not been able to find enough cargo to fill the Tel Aviv, Traders and Shippers Ltd. has been hit hardest and forced to sell the Kishon to a South African concern.

If the present state of affairs continues, it may eventually become inevitable to lay off some Israel ships. The Artza and the Aliya have already been laid off because of reduced immigration.

The strain on the Israel companies is particularly heavy for three reasons. First, they have been caught in a period of rapid expansion, with their financial resources largely committed for the acquisition of additional units (and for paying off others recently put into service). In order to be in a position to skim the profits of the next shipping boom, bound to develop at some unspecified date in the future, our merchant marine has to plan ahead so as to have its ships ready for service by then.

Facing Losses

However, the Israel shipping companies have not yet been able to accumulate substantial reserves, and if no improvement takes place shortly—which is rather unlikely—they are facing a period of net loss. The old question of strengthening Zim's financial structure will thus increasingly come to the fore.

Second, Israel shipping companies have been operating at high costs and therefore depend upon the efficient utilization of their carrying capacity even more than competing foreign shippers. A survey carried out by Zim and certified by an accountant has revealed that the wage bill of an average Israel cargo ship (4,000 tons deadweight) was 53 per cent higher than that of a similar Dutch ship, 61 per cent higher than aboard a Danish vessel and 80 per cent higher than on a German one. These figures refer to the second quarter of 1957. Significantly, they show a relative rise in Israel wages as compared with 1956, i.e. over the very period when the shipping industry's earning capacity deteriorated considerably. Though the difference in wages proper was less than the above figures, the difference in social emoluments was much higher.

Of course, it was not only the money wages that mattered, but also the size of the crew and its efficiency. The complement of an Israel freighter of the above size provided for a crew of 34, against 35 on a Dutch vessel (but only 26 on a Danish one) and the amount of work done for extra pay on the Israel ship was the smallest. However, the ultimate wage bill of the Israel ship — reckoned at the official rate of exchange — was out of all proportion to that of foreign vessels.

Similarly, the fuel purchased by the Zim company was 13 per cent more expensive than that of North European shipping companies in 1956, and it was paying much more than its competitors both for crew maintenance and for ship repairs.

On the strength of these figures, the shipping companies requested a premium for the added value earned by them in foreign currency, namely 750 pruta per dollar on account of 1956 (and a higher rate for 1957). The request has been turned down by the Treasury, which is sternly opposed to a premium rate of exchange which might lead to a collapse of the official rate being granted to a "service." Reportedly, the Treasury would be ready to grant the shippers an outright subsidy, but that proposal has been rejected by the companies.

Third, Israel's shipping complains that it has been prevented from fully enjoying the high profits of the last boom by the pressure exercized by the authorities, which were then interested in keeping prices stable in this country. Now, the shippers claim, the time has come to compensate the national marine by letting it obtain cargoes at preferential terms, i.e. somewhat above the rock-bottom rates obtainable on the world freight market.

Preferential Treatment

To what extent this line will be adopted by the Economic Ministers is not yet clear, but there are several indications that the Government is ready to give some preferential treatment to the national flag and is generally genuinely interested in helping shipping. Thus, a clause about the preferential use of national marine has been included in the latest trade agreement with Poland, and the invitation of offers at f.o.b. terms for Government imports is to be applied strictly in order to give the Israel companies an opportunity to get these cargoes. These and similar steps cannot, however, change the situation to any appreciable extent.

False Claims For Personal Restitution.
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Amcor Begins New Models

TWO series of new refrigerator models will be issued shortly by the Amcor company. One will include units equipped with hermetic compressors in three sizes up to 12 cu. feet; the other, units equipped with electro-magnetic Chausson compressors in four sizes up to 148 cu. feet, replacing the currently produced absorption refrigerators. The electro-magnetic compressors developed by the French Chausson company are both very cheap to produce and convenient to use, as they consume only one-eighth as much power as the absorption units.

Licence Agreement

An Amcor licence agreement with Chausson has already been approved by the respective authorities, and a new section for the local production of electromagnetic compressors will be established shortly at a cost of IL220,000. The hermetic compressors will also be locally produced after the necessary equipment has been installed in another section of the factory, in which IL700,000 will be invested by Amcor.

Another step for extending the domestic manufacture of refrigerator parts will be taken by setting up, in Jerusalem, a factory for the small electric motors required for compressors, as well as for other uses. Originally Amcor planned to place orders for these motors with one of the existing engineering plants, but negotiations failed. The investment required, it is estimated, will run up to some IL750,000.

Another IL625,000 have been spent by Amcor in developing the local production of condensers and freezers, and in establishing a section for gas-filling and sealing the cooling units. Thus the company is drawing near to the goal that it had set itself to advance from the mere assembly of imported parts to genuine local production dependent mainly on the import of such raw materials as sheet metal, chemicals etc.

At the same time the company continues to expand its export sales. Up to mid-November they totalled $551,000, a rise of 60 per cent over the total for 1956. This included 1,628 refrigerators that netted $308,000 and 953 air-conditioning units that brought in $230,000. Amcor's markets comprise 28 countries, many of which pay in hard currency. The added value of the products has been calculated at 25 per cent for refrigerators and 35 per cent for air-conditioning units, but will increase when the new sections go into production.

Stocks and Commodities

Quietly Steady Conditions in Tel Aviv

CONDITIONS on the Tel Aviv market were quietly steady during the past week, with fluctuations mixed in various sections. In the linked bonds section, there was no uniform trend, and although the bulk of the securities were rather lower, changes were not significant. The pressure of the linked Housing Loan bonds is still being felt. It appears that as long as this pressure will continue, no prospects of recovery can be expected in this section. Industrials and other ordinary shares were steady. Moller Textile were again in the lead with a fresh advance of 160 prutot for the week. On the other hand, Assis, Palestine Potash and Palestine Cold Storage were slightly lower.

Dead Sea five per cent debentures were six points higher and Palestine Electric second preferred were two points higher. A.P.B. Investment were also firm, some six points up, while Gazit was down about five points, probably on some reorganization plan. Ellern's Investment were three points up and P.E.C. Investment one point higher and marked "buyers only."

Oil shares remained dull with I.O.P. at IL5.750 and the I.O.P. Loan at around IL1.600-1.700.

Industrials Firm on Wall Street

NEWS of President Eisenhower's continued recovery brought further improvements in the stock market after all the losses had been wiped out earlier in the week. Aircrafts, Missiles, Rocket fuels, Chemicals, Oils and Electronics were in the forefront. A further helpful factor was the Defence Secretary's order to resume overtime on three Air Force missiles.

The Dow Jones average for 30 Industrials was 449.87 as against 435 last week.

Firm Close to a Quiet Week in London

FORTHCOMING new issues continued to restrict business on the London markets. The main issues on the horizon are the large Shell and British Petroleum issues of six per cent convertible stocks and Raleigh Industries six per cent debenture stocks. Business remained at a low level, but prices were firm. Oils have been encouraged by the third quarter results of the Royal Dutch-Shell group.

Industrials were firmer on a light demand, with Brewery shares continuing to reflect favourable Company statements.

Reuter's Daily Index for Gilt-Edged was 69.4 as against 69.6, and for Industrials 188.9 as against 189.9.

Firm Prices on Paris Bourse

THE market's faith that the Government would come through the Algerian vote contributed to firmness on the Bourse. French oil shares were in the limelight, as well as some iron and steel shares.

On the Paris gold market, on the other hand, prices were receding.

Cocoa Prices Fall From Peak Levels

COCOA prices are now £25 a ton below the peak level of £335 a ton. Even with this recent decline, the market is still dearer than it was last month, when the poor outlook for West African crops started to push prices up sharply.

On the metal market, business in tin was quieter at £730.-, while copper prices were steady at £184.-.

Reuter's Daily Index for U.K. Commodities was 424.5 as against 425.6 last week, in comparison with 512.6 a year ago (September 18, 1931 = 100).

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Finance Ministry to Tighten Control Over Government Companies

Jerusalem Post Reporter

IN view of the Finance Ministry's desire to tighten its control over the Government owned companies, the Minister, Mr. L. Eshkol, has suggested the appointment of Mr. D. Shafrir as head of the Government Companies Division in the Ministry, it is learned in Jerusalem.

Mr. Shafrir, at present serving with the Shikun Corporation, will succeed Mr. M. Landau, who resigned from the Ministry a few weeks ago.

The Government Companies Division was established in the Finance Ministry in the middle of 1956, but it had largely been idle till now.

In view of the plans of the Ministry of Development to establish an umbrella organization to coordinate the work of the development companies, and in view of the difficult financial position of most of the companies, the Ministry of Finance, it is understood, feels that it has to tighten financial control over the firms. The Division intends to keep continuous control over their finances and accounting and check on their investment and development plans. The Development Ministry, on the other hand, feels that setting up a separate Division in the Finance Ministry to control the finances of the public companies is unnecessary duplication.

Israel Pavilion for Rand Show

Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE Company for Fairs and Exhibitions has approved plans for the construction of a permanent Israel Pavilion at Johannesburg's annual Rand Easter Show, the Israel Consul for Trade in South Africa, Mr. Harry Voremberg, disclosed before returning to Johannesburg this week.

Work on the building, which will be in marked contrast to the tiny stand in the general exhibition hall, with which Israel contented herself in the past, is to commence immediately. Two of Johannesburg's leading architects are tendering their services gratis. The £11,000 pavilion will be completed in time for the next Show in March, 1958, and will have 700 sq. metres of floor space. The interior decoration will cost an additional £2,500.

Israel sales to South Africa run into £200,000 this year, and it is hoped that the new pavilion will help increase this figure.

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Tel Aviv Stock Market

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4% Comp. Loan 56/67	78½
2½% Comp. Loan	63
3½% War Loan 54/59	96
Pal. Bearer Bds. Ser. 3	98½
3½% Tavei Dollar x)	83
4% Reg. Sterling "A"	88½
Def. Loan Bonds 6½% f)	98½
4% Def. Bonds f)	98½
6½% Def. Bonds g)	100
6½% Loc. C. Debs. f)	98½
6½% Loc. C. Debs. g)	99
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ldn.)	215
6½% Bonds 58/65 f)	105½
ditto g)	110
Keren Hayesod	
6½% Deb. 58/65 f)	100½
ditto g)	105
Igroth Ltd.	
6½% Deb. 58/65 f)	98½
Bassco 6½% Deb. 58/65	
Class "A" f)	100½
Class "B" g)	105
Bk. Leumi ord. sh.	150
Bearer Savings Cert. '59	91½
A.P.B. Investment	
4½-6% Con. Deb.	74½
Ord. sh. 'B' reg.	108
Gazit ord. sh. 'B' reg.	73
Ellern's Inv. ord	152
Gen. Mortg. Bk. ord. sh.	75
Bizur 4% debs. 56/65	80½
Nir 5% pref. sh.	93
Pasa 4% debs. 40/64 reg.	85
"Inva" 5% debs.	76
Afr. Pal Inv. ord. sh.	86
I.L.D.C. ord. sh. reg.	79
5% debs.	70
Rassco 6% pref. ord. sh.	97
Ata ord. "B" sh.	96
6-8% con. debs.	96
"Kurdaneh" ord. "B"	85½
7% con. debs. 59/68	80
Moller ord. sh.reg.	1270
Pal. Brewery 8% con. debs	82
Assis Bejarano "B" sh.	75
Nesher 6% debs. "A" 58/64	118
Pal. Potash "A" ord. sh.	554
"Teva" ord. sh.	97
Pal. Cold St. ord. sh. reg.	138½
Delek ord. sh. "C"	86½
Pal. Centr. 8% debs.	100
Mekorot pref. sh.	70
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Controlling Histadrut Enterprises

By Our Economic Correspondent

THE discussion about the functions of the Histadrut's Control Commission has not yet died down. It is of considerable importance for the development of Hevrat Ovdim, the giant holding company of the Labour Federation, which is supposed to work out economic policy for the economic enterprises of the Labour Movement in this country.

A control institution was set up five years ago. It was assigned the task of looking into the many economic enterprises of the Histadrut, making surveys and finding out whether undertakings were managed satisfactorily. To a certain extent the institution was to fulfil within the Histadrut the functions which the State Controller fulfils for the nation. There was an important addition. It had to make sure not only that no irregularities occurred and no waste took place, but also that the social principles of the Labour Movement were upheld. Thus, for instance, the institution was to find out whether the cooperatives stood by their principles or faced the danger of degenerating into quasi-capitalistic enterprises where a small number of shareholders "exploited" a large number of workers.

It was not clearly defined from the start whether the "Mosad Lebikoret" recommendations or findings were to be implemented automatically and who should implement them. It was at this point that the present discussion developed and that the director of the control body, who had built it up over the past five years, resigned. He wanted the institution to have the power to put its suggestions into effect. The majority of the Histadrut Executive decided against him. Despite the combined opposition of all the other parties, the Mapai leadership clung to its view that the controller's recommendations should serve as a basis for reforms but not be carried out by the controllers themselves.

This ties in with the precedent set by the State Controller's office. It makes its reports furnishes them to the companies and government departments concerned and then submits them to the Knesset. Knesset members are then free to discuss the report and to suggest remedies if necessary. The State Controller himself cannot force government departments or companies to introduce reforms. His sharpest weapon is parliamentary and public opinion. There are, it is true, differences of opinion as to whether this weapon has proved sharp enough.

In the Histadrut the procedure is similar. The officials of the Control Commission have tried to survey Histadrut enterprises, to find out whether the paper work was satisfactory, whether irregularities occurred, and, if so, if they were dealt with adequately by the management, and so on. Then reports were prepared — during the five years of the Control Commission's work it prepared about 60 of them. Finally, the enterprises concerned were asked to comment on the deficiencies that had been singled out by the Commission.

At this point the parallel with the State Controller ends. For not only have the reports never been made public, but very few people have ever seen them. Even members of the Central Committee of Hevrat Ovdim did not always see them, and now it has been proposed to file them away entirely because they are outdated.

The Commission's small staff was unable to keep its surveys up to date once they had been made.

The degree of cooperation which the managers of Histadrut enterprises accord to the Control Commission varies. Some welcome control, others see in it only an additional burden and interference with their affairs and think the whole thing superfluous especially since many of them have set up internal control units in their undertakings.

Executive in Favour

In the Histadrut Executive, however, feeling is strong that a central body helping to watch over the enterprises could only be all to the good. And it is certain that the Control Commission will continue to exist. What is needed now is a personality who has the prestige, knowledge, experience and tact to become its new head. In Histadrut circles everyone is agreed that it will by no means be easy to find a suitable man.

If he is found, if he gets enough money to build up a staff which can work quickly and thus ensure the simultaneous supervision of all enterprises and if he can secure the wholehearted cooperation of the management of Hevrat Ovdim, we may get to see in due time a real survey of the Histadrut's economic activities. This huge kingdom of the Labour Movement is known in its details only to a handful of men, and they rely for their knowledge not only on their long years of work in the Histadrut and on their intimate acquaintance with the managers but also on much confidential material — some of it prepared by local and foreign experts. The general public, the many hundreds of thousands of workers in whose name the enterprises are controlled, naturally have a very scanty knowledge of what is going on in the concern.

The Histadrut's leaders maintain that whoever wants to know what is going on in its economic enterprises can find it out. They point to reports made to the general meetings of the various institutions, to reports to Council sessions and even to material prepared for foreign visitors. And it is true that the inner circle knows more about the economic enterprises today than it did some years ago and that in Koor, for instance, the industrial concern of Solel Boneh, an internal efficiency unit has spent a number of years on a general survey of all the factories.

Attempts to initiate comprehensive economic policy within the Histadrut have also yielded some results. Some years ago Solel Boneh would not have asked the Executive for permission to buy out Shell; it would have decided the issue by itself. It would be rash to say that a uniform policy has already been established, but we might be on the way to central control of the managers. And in this field too, controllers' reports will help.

There remains, however, the fact that the man in the street and the outsider is unable to get more than a mere outline of the economic activities of the Histadrut. It would be a good thing if, when the Control Commission embarks on its new career, a way could be found to publish frank annual reports on all Histadrut enterprises.

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RURAL AND SUBURBAN SETTLEMENT COMPANY LIMITED

CONDENSED BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 1957.

	IL.	IL.		IL.	IL.
Share Capital and Reserves			**Fixed Assets:**		
Share Capital	2,666,114		Buildings, Machinery, Equipment and Cars, at cost or partly revalued, less amount written off; Shares, in subsidiary and affiliated companies and other shares and debentures, at or below cost		1,839,118
Shares Application Account, Reserves and Balance of Profit	401,048	3,067,162	**Land Development and Housing Projects, at cost:**		
Debentures and Long-Term Liabilities:			Freehold Property and amounts invested in development, settlement and housing projects	6,272,458	
Debentures (including IL. 1,000,000.— linked to the cost of living index or to the dollar rate)	2,123,879		Goods in stock, at cost or at market value whichever lower, and advances on account of goods and long term loans and participations	1,334,707	7,607,165
Loans (including IL. 1,260,600.— linked to the cost of living index or building index or to the dollar rate)	3,710,973	5,834,252	**Current Assets**		
Current Liabilities:			Debtors and debit balances	10,283,563	
Banks, creditors and credit balances (including IL.120,000.— linked to the Tave Dollar rate)	8,510,789		Cash in hand, at banks and institutions	599,812	10,883,375
Contracts to be carried out	3,012,121	11,522,910	**Expenses to be written off**		94,666
Contingent Liabilities:	4,276,711				20,424,324
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NOTES: The liabilities of the Company in Foreign Currency have been calculated at the official rate of exchange as at the date of the Balance Sheet.

The Expenses of the Company include differences due to the linking of loans to the cost of living index, the building index or the rate of Tave Dollar, in so far as such loans or the interest thereon matured till the date of the Balance Sheet. No provision was made for the sum of IL.127,600 for differences due to linking of the Capital Sums of such loans, the payment of which was not yet due.

On behalf of the Board of Directors:
Dr. A. Granott, Director — Dr. Y. Foerder, Director — M. C. Stern, General-Manager

Statement pursuant to section 107 of the Companies Ordinance. The above account includes profits of Subsidiaries Companies to the extent of dividends received from them, and provision for losses suffered by them.

On behalf of the Board of Directors:
Dr. A. Granott, Director — Dr. Y. Foerder, Director — M. C. Stern, General-Manager

We have audited the books of "Rassco" Rural and Suburban Settlement Company Ltd. for the year ended March 31, 1957, and have prepared the above condensed Balance Sheet, which in our opinion and to the best of our information and according to the explanations received, gives a true and fair view of the state of the Company's affairs.

Tel Aviv, October 27, 1957.

Rawly, Milner, Rieck & Co.
Public Accountants